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1st
July 17, 1893.

First meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, July 17, 1893.

Present, C. F. Adams, Wm. B. de las Casas, Philip A. Chase, Abram L. Richards, J. J. Roche.

Mr Adams called the Board to order.

Election of Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Chase, it was

1 Voted: to proceed to elect a Chairman by written ballot.

Chairman

Mr. Casas was appointed a committee to collect and count the ballots.

Whole number of ballots cast, five. Necessary for a choice, three. C. F. Adams had four, Philip A. Chase, one. Mr. Adams was declared the choice of the Board for chairman.

Appointment of Secretary pro-tempore.

2 Mr Chase was appointed Secretary pro tempore.

Secretary pro tem

Committee for selection of Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Casas, it was

3 Voted: that Messrs Chase and Richards be a committee to consider candidates for Secretary of the Board and inquire into their qualifications.

Secretary

Appointment of landscape architects

On motion of Mr Casas,

4 Voted: that Messrs. Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot be appointed landscape architects for this board.

C. Landscape Architects

Meeting with State Board of Health.

5 Voted: that the Chairman be instructed to invite the members of the Board of Health and the landscape architects of the Board to be present at its next meeting for the purpose of conference.

C. Health, State Board

Voted: that when the board adjourn it be subject to the call of the Chairman.

Adjourned. Philip A. Chase
Sec'y pro. tem.

2nd, July 29, 1893. Second meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, July 29, 1893.

Present, C. F. Adams, William B. de las Casas, Philip A. Chase, Abram L. Richards.

Mr. Adams called the meeting to order.

The reading of the records was dispensed with.

Report of Committee on selection of permanent secretary. 1. O. Secretary

Mr. Chase, on behalf of the Committee to nominate a permanent Secretary to the Board, reported the name of Herbert S. Carruth.

Election of Secretary.

It was voted that the secretary be chosen by ballot.

Four ballots were cast, all in favor of Herbert S. Carruth. He was thereupon declared elected Secretary.

Salary of Secretary. 2 C. Salary of Secretary

The Committee further recommended that the salary of Mr. Carruth be fixed at the rate of $2500.00 a year for the balance of the current fiscal year, Mr. Carruth to enter upon his duties as Secretary upon August 1; and it was so voted.

3 On motion of Mr. Chase, it was

Hiring office. C. Offices, General

Voted: that the Secretary be authorized and instructed to hire the former office of the Commission in the Exchange Building during the month of August.

Voted: that the meeting be adjourned to Wednesday, August 2.

Philip A. Chase
Secretary pro tempore.

3rd.
[A]ug. 2, 1893.

Third meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, August 2nd, 1893, at 53 State Street, Room 408. 12 o'clock.

Present — All members of the Commission.

The Chairman called the meeting to order and the records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

[Ci]vil Service [req]uirements for the [posit]ion of Secretary.

[C.] S. Secretary 1

A general discussion of the Civil Service requirements in the matter of the appointment of the Secretary of the Commission, in which all the members participated, was brought to a close by the passage of the following order offered by Mr. Chace.

[Or]der in relation to [C]ivil Service [requ]irements of Secretary.

Ordered: That the matter of the Civil Service requirements for the position of Secretary of this Commission is referred to the Chairman to take such action as he deems best.

[A]ppointment of sub-committees [fo]r various localities.

The following order offered by Mr. las Casas was passed.

[Sub] Committees 2

Ordered: That one or more members of the Commission be designated by the Chairman whenever particular localities are under consideration by the Board, to act as a special committee, with Secretary, in preparing plans and data bearing upon such localities, for action by the entire Board, provided however, that without special vote of the Board, such committee or the Secretary shall have no authority by reason of this vote to bind this Board.

On the Middlesex Fells.
Mr. de las Casas.
Muddy Pond Woods
Mr. Roche.
Blue Hills,
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Charles River Basin,
Mr. Richards.
Waverley Oaks.
Mr. Richards.
Echo Bridge,
Mr. Chase.

C. Landscape Architects 1 The Secretary was instructed to request Messrs. Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot to attend the next meeting of the Board.

Adjourned to meet again on Friday August 4th, at 12 o'clock at this place.

H. S. Carruth
Secretary.

4th.
Aug. 4, 1893.

Fourth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, August 4th, 1893. 12. M. at 53 State Street, Room 408.

Present - All members of the Commission.

The Chairman called the meeting to order and the records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

2 Chairman to approve all bills. Mr. Richards offered the following order:

C. Finances, Bills. Ordered:- That all bills for "current expenses" be approved by the Chair before forwarding to the Auditor - passed.

Application to Civil Service Commission for stenographer and typewriter. 3 Mr. las Casas offered the following order,

C. Clerks. Ordered:- That the Chair is authorized to make application to the Civil Service Commissioners for a suitable person to fill the position of stenographer, typewriter and accountant - passed.

Mr. las Casas offered the following order:

1 Voted: That the Chair appoint a special committee to confer with the Attorney General and ascertain what legal service the Law Department of the State is expected to perform for this Commission. Passed.

The Chair appointed Mr. de las Casas as such Committee.

The Chair appointed Mr. Chase a committee on the matter of Revere Beach, and
2 also the same gentleman as a committee on the Winthrop matter.

3 A conference was held with Messrs. Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot with reference to their accompanying the various committees of the Commission in their trips of inspection, particularly in respect to the matter of establishing boundaries to the various proposed takings of land.

Adjourned at 1.10 P.M., subject to the call of the Chairman.

A. S. [illegible]
Secretary.

5th. Sept. 15, 1893.

Report of the fifth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the office of the Commission, nos. 111 and 112 Ames Building, Boston, at 1 P.M. September 15, 1893.

Present: The Chairman and Messrs Chase, Casas and Richards.

The Chairman called the meeting to order and the report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

Report of sub committee appointed to confer with Attorney General

Mr. Casas, as the special committee appointed at the meeting held August 4th, 1893, for conference with the Attorney General of the Commonwealth in reference to the law services to be rendered by that department to this Commission reported:

[illegible]

Boston, Sept. 12, 1893.

Metropolitan Park Commission,
Charles F. Adams, Chairman,

Dear Sir:

Having been appointed by vote of this Commission, Aug. 4, 1893, a sub committee to confer with the Attorney General and ascertain what legal services the law department of the State is expected to perform for this Commission, I beg leave to report that I attempted twice to interview the Attorney General but being unable to meet him I addressed to him the letter hereto annexed marked A to which I received as a reply the letter hereto annexed marked B from both of which it will appear that it is within the power of this Commission to employ its own legal advisor and as it seems to be necessary that this should be done at once I further beg leave to suggest that Mr. Charles S. Rackemann, of the firm of Balch & Rackemann be retained as counsel for this Board.

Respectfully submitted (Signed) W. B. de las Casas

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Boston, Sept. 8 1893.

Albert E. Pillsbury, Esq.
Attorney General,
Commonwealth Building

Dear Sir:—

At the meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, August 4, 1893, it was voted that the Chair appoint a sub-committee to confer with the Attorney General to ascertain what legal services the Department of the State is expected to perform for this Commission. The Chair appointed me as such sub-committee. I have made several efforts to meet you but have failed. Will you therefore be good enough to send me your answer to the request which is implied in the vote above indicated that I may report to the Commission.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) W. B. de las Casas.

B.

Boston, Sept. 11, 1893.

W. B. De las Casas, Esq.,
My Dear Sir;—

I am not sure that I can answer your inquiry intelligibly or satisfactorily, as to legal assistance to the Metropolitan Park Commission, but I will make these suggestions.

It has always been the view of this department that it cannot officially advise any state officer or board except those named in the statute; but it has been my practice to informally

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advise with any state board or officer so far as I could be of assistance. In the case, however, of boards having funds at their disposal, and having much occasion for legal services, the custom, so far as I have knowledge, has been for them to employ such legal assistance as they need. The case of your Board seems to resemble that of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission as nearly as any other. Indeed I see that some parts of your statute are taken from the sewerage statute. They have employed counsel of their own for all routine business, but in their land damage cases I think the district attorneys have appeared, being the representatives of the Commonwealth in the Superior Court, and I presume they will be willing, if indeed they are not bound, to render the same service in your cases.

In the case of a board requiring more or less constant legal advise and assistance, as in the taking of land and similar matters, it is almost impracticable for the attorney general to furnish the necessary amount of service, and unsatisfactory for such a board to be compelled to rely upon this department for it. I have indicated above the usual practice so far as I know it, and within the lines stated I should be glad to be of such service to you as I can.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) A. E. Pillsbury
Attorney General.

The report of the committee was accepted and the recommendation that Mr. Charles S. Rackemann be appointed counsel of the Commission adopted, and the committee was discharged.

1 Mr. Chase offered the following order:-

Stenographer. That the salary of Miss Mary V. Habberley, the stenographer and typewriter of this Board, be fixed at the rate of $600. per annum for the present financial year, and until otherwise ordered, beginning August 15th. 1893.— Passed.

2 Mr. Chase offered the following order:—

That the Chairman and Secretary are hereby authorized to execute a lease for the rooms now occupied by this Board in the Ames Building (being numbers 111 and 112) with the Estate of Frederick L. Ames, for one year beginning September 1st, 1893, for the sum of $1000., the said sum to include heating, lighting and janitor's service. Passed.

3 A conference was held with Mr. F. L. Olmsted in regard to the determination of the boundaries of the Middlesex Fells and the employment of engineers for a topographical survey. The further consideration of this matter was referred to the special committee on this locality.

4 A letter from Mr. Sylvester Baxter, dated August 24, 1893, and addressed to the Secretary was read in part and on motion of Mr. Chase the further reading of the letter was

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dispensed with and a typewriter copy was ordered sent to each member of the Commission.

Adjourned at 2 P.M. subject to the call of the Chairman.

A. S. Caruth
Secretary.

6th
Sept. 29, 1893.

Report of the sixth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111 and 112 Ames Building, Boston, at 12 M. September 29th, 1893.

Present: The Chairman and all the members of the Commission.

Amendment of the appointment of Charles S. Rackemann as counsel. Dalch & Rackemann appointed.

Law Dept.

The Chairman called the meeting to order and the report of the preceding meeting was read and on motion of Mr. Casas was amended by substituting the words "Dalch and Rackemann" in place of the words "Charles S. Rackemann" in the recommendation of the Committee for the appointment of counsel for the Commission. The records were then accepted.

Report of sub-committee on Beaver Brooke Oaks.

Mr. Richards, being the sub-committee on the Beaver Brook Oaks, reported that the committee had visited the ground, accompanied by the landscape architects of the Commission and recommended that the Board take immediate steps to acquire the necessary land for the preservation of the territory. The report was accepted and the Secretary and consulting architects were instructed to prepare a plan and the proper and necessary papers for the taking.

Beaver Brook Reservation

Mr. Adams, for the sub-committee of the

C. Blue Hills 3
Reservation
C. Palmer Hill

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[illegible] of sub committee on Blue Hills.

Board on the Blue Hills, reported that the consulting architects, under the direction of the Committee, were engaged in running a line from Canton Avenue to Hillside Street with the view to the taking of all the hills westerly of said line, which would include the Big Blue Hill, Hancock, West Hancock and Houghton Hills. The report was accepted and the Secretary and consulting architect were instructed to prepare a plan and the necessary papers for the taking of said land.

[illegible] instructed to [illegible] assessments of Peddock's Island

On the motion of Mr Chase it was voted
1 that the Secretary be instructed to obtain the assessments for 1893 of Peddocks Island, in the town of Hull.

Peddock's Island

[illegible] Muddy Pond Woods.

It was voted, on motion of Mr. Chase that
2 the sub-committee on the Muddy Pond Woods be authorized to make such arrangements with Mr. George L. Richardson, surveyor, for the use of his topographical map of the said region as in their judgment is best.

[illegible]

[illegible] Beach

Mr Chase, as sub-committee on the Revere
3 Beach, reported that the committee had visited the Beach and had made a somewhat careful examination of the conditions of the problem of taking of that locality; that the committee were impressed with the difficulty of dealing with the matter owing to the location of the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad upon the crest of the Beach; that the investigations had not yet arrived at a point where they cared to make any definite recommendations to the Board, the committee desiring further time for a more mature consideration of the matter.

Revere Beach Reservation

Mr Chase, as the sub committee on the Hemlock Gorge, reported that the committee had,

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[illegible] visited the ground and carefully examined the situation and would recommend that this Board should advise the towns in whose territory the lands in question are located that the matter being largely of local concern the said towns should acquire the necessary land on each side of the Charles River, between the silk factory, so-called, and the Worcester turn-pike bridge, this Board to furnish the services of its consulting architects and its Secretary to the towns so far as such services may be of use. The report was accepted and its further consideration was postponed until the next meeting of the Board –

Vote in relation to Wright lands in Middlesex Fells.

Mr Curtis offered the following:

1

C. Wright

Whereas communication has been made to this Board, through its Secretary, by Mr Walter C. Wright, Miss Ellen M. Wright, Mr Philip G. Wright, Miss Elizabeth A. Wright and Mrs Edith F. Wait.

Voted: that the Secretary be directed to thank the persons named and to assure them that their offers will be considered so soon as the surveys can be obtained which will show the prospective line of the proposed Middlesex Fells Park, and the relation of the lands offered to such Park, and so far as possible the lands offered will then, at the earliest moment, be gratefully accepted by this Board. Passed.

2

C. S. Rickemann

A letter of acceptance from Mr Charles S. Rickemann was read and ordered placed on file.

Adjourned at 1.50 subject to the call of the Chairman.

H. S. Carruth
Secretary

7th
Oct. 24, 1893.

Report of the seventh meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the office of the Commission, number [illegible] and [illegible] Ames Building, Boston, at [illegible] P.M. Tuesday, October 24th, 1893.

Present: The Chairman and Messrs. Chase, [illegible] & Howe.

The Chairman called the meeting to order and the report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

[Margin: Documents referred, power given to sub-committee on [illegible] to take [illegible]]

On the motion of Mr. Chase it was voted that the letter from Mr. Edwin F. Atkins, dated October 6th and addressed to the Commission, hereto annexed marked A; the report of the Secretary marked B; the plan of the landscape architects, and all other papers relating to the Beaver Brook Oaks reservation, be referred to the sub-committee on said reservation with power to initiate such steps as are necessary to the taking or purchase of said territory.

[Margin: Beaver Brook Reservation Claims]

[Margin: Claims B.B.R.]

A.

Boston, October 6th, 1893.

[Margin: Letter from Edwin F. Atkins giving 12500 for Beaver Brook Reservation.]

Charles Francis Adams, Esq.;
Chairman, Metropolitan Park Commission,
Ames Building, Boston.

Dear Sir,—

Referring to our recent conversation, concerning the acquirement of certain lands, situated in the town of Belmont and the city of Waltham, by the State of Massachusetts, as represented by your Commission; I will furnish, as a gift to the State, towards the purchase of the property specified below, the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000.), and my mother, Mrs. Elisha Atkins, will make the further contribution for the same purpose, the payment of which I

surety guarantee, of twenty-five hundred dollars ($2500.), making a total of twelve thousand and five hundred dollars ($12,500.)

The property to be purchased shall be as follows: A certain lot, comprising some 26 acres, more or less forming a part of the Ward estate situated in the town of Belmont and city of Waltham, bounded by North and Quince streets; also about an acre and a half, belonging to the said Ward estate upon the North side of North street; also some 8½ acres, more or less, formerly known as the Copeland estate, or Lee property, upon this street in the town of Belmont, it being understood that practically the whole of the three parcels above mentioned shall be acquired by the State of Massachusetts, to be held as a public reservation or park.

Very truly yours,
(signed) Edwin F. Atkins.

B.

Report of Secretary on Beaver Brook Reservation

Report of the Secretary
upon the Beaver Brook Reservation.

Your Secretary, in accordance with a vote passed at the meeting of the Board September 29th, begs leave to report that the survey of this territory has been made by Mr. William T. Pierce, engineer and surveyor, under the direction of the landscape architects. Upon this plan are shown two proposed takings, one containing 33.97 acres with a valuation estimated at $8492.50, and an alternative taking, shown by the double lines indicating a proposed street on the outskirts, containing 23.16 acres with a valuation of $5890.

Your Secretary would state that upon receiving the plan from the landscape architects he made a personal visit to the office of the Board of Assessors of the City of Waltham and the result of his investigation would show that no sufficiently detailed system of assessment prevails in Waltham to admit of any exact valuation being obtained. For instance, the Stearns heirs, who are owners of a large portion of the tract in question, are assessed for 86 acres of land which includes a portion within this reservation, and a considerable portion outside of it. No attempt is made at specifying different portions of this property and the whole 86 acres are lumped in an assessment of $15,000.

Your Secretary endeavored to gain from the Assessors some opinion as to what influences them made in making this valuation, but they seemed to have no definite knowledge of the land in question stating that the valuation had remained much the same and knowing of no reason for change they had not gone into the matter in detail.

It will be noted upon the plan that Mr. C. A. Pierce is the owner of a small area in the proposed takings. He is also the owner of 58 acres of land in the City of Waltham all of which is assessed in one lump with no way discoverable of finding out the method by which it was arrived at. Henry F. Campbell is assessed for one acre at $100.

The average price of Pierce's land is about $[illegible] an acre; of the Stearns heirs $25 an acre; Campbell $100 an acre and a parcel which is marked as belonging to Martin McHale

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your Secretary is informed was transferred to him in July last from the Waverley Land Company. Further inquiry of the Waltham Assessors developes the fact that this piece of land is lumped with all other land belonging to the Waverley Land Company and that no data exists in their office for determining the value of this particular parcel. Much of this piece is wet, low land and would therefore fall considerably under the average valuation.

In the town of Belmont the Ward property is assessed for $200. an acre and the Campbell for about $300. an acre.

With this data in hand, your Secretary has considered it wise to call the average valuation of the property $250. per acre, though this is probably more rather than less than the valuation as it really exists, and the amounts stated in the opening paragraph of this report, i. e. $8492.50 and $5890. are based on this estimated average.

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) H. S. Carruth.
Secretary.

[illegible] referred, power given to sub-committee on Peddock's Island to take steps for taking of the island.

[illegible] Peddock's Island.

On motion of Mr. Chase it was voted that the report of the Secretary, hereto annexed marked A, and all other papers relating to Peddock's Island be referred to the sub-committee consisting of the Chairman and the Secretary, with power to initiate such steps as are necessary to the taking or purchase of said territory.

Rep. of Secretary on valuation of Peddock's Island

A

Report of the Secretary upon the valuation of Peddocks Island

In accordance with the vote passed at the meeting of the Commission held September 29th instructing the Secretary to submit to the Board the valuations of Peddocks Island, I here-with beg leave to submit the following:

The Island contains, according to the figures of the assessors of the Town of Hull, 139 1/2 acres of land which is valued at $210. per acre and five buildings which are valued at $1885.

The ownership and holdings of this property, are as follows:

Mrs. L. H. Andrew	3 small houses —	$300.00
" " " "	dwelling house –	585.00
" " " "	double house	1000.00
" " " "	15 acres, Cleverly estate	3000.00
" " " "	22.5 " farm "	3700.00
Francis H. Cleverly } Alphonso Cleverly } Amber S. Cleverly }	3 acres undivided 1/5 " (Pt. Lead) 1/5 "	1200.00
		$9785.00

The assessed value of Peddock's Island amounts to 1.10% of the total value of the Town of Hull.

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) H. S. Smith
Secretary.

Report of com. on Winthrop

The Board for the sub committee on the matter of open spaces in Winthrop submitted the following report which was read and accepted and the committee dis-

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changes —

Hon. Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir:—

The sub-committee of this Board appointed to consider and report upon the question of open spaces in the town of Winthrop beg leave to report as follows:

The committee on October 3rd visited Winthrop and made a careful inspection of the features of the town adapted for park purposes. They were accompanied by the committee which was appointed at a meeting of the town held on the 24th day of August last and designated "A committee on Parks and Boulevards." This committee of the town had previously furnished your committee with a plan of the proposed open spaces and boulevards connecting the same. A careful examination of the territory revealed the fact that Winthrop possesses unusual opportunities for providing its inhabitants with beautiful places of recreation and enjoyment. Few towns, if any, are so situated as regards the extent of their water-front, facing on the one hand the open waters of Massachusetts Bay and on the other the quieter waters of Boston Harbor made interesting by the continual passage of extensive commerce.

That such unusual opportunities should be taken advantage of would seem to admit of no difference of opinion, but your committee are impressed with the fact that the Metropolitan Park Commission was not created for the purpose of local improvement. That the object and scope of its work was intended to be on a larger and broader plan. It was,

therefore with a great deal of regret that your committee advised the local committee of Winthrop that they hardly felt that this Board would ever or could feel justified in undertaking the construction of the twenty local parks which were indicated upon the map of the town which has been furnished. That further as to the boulevards it was entirely out of the question as the Commission was not authorized under its Act by any fair construction to construct such ways. Your committee, however, further advised that the committee of Winthrop having this matter in charge and showing a very praiseworthy interest in the objects for which they were appointed should endeavor to secure from the citizens of the town subscriptions aggregating as large a sum as possible, and that they should then ask the town to appropriate the balance of the sum required from time to time, as it should be needed, thus carrying forward and completing the main features of their park scheme.

Further, your committee offered the services of the landscape architects and the Secretary of your Commission in any way in which they could be of value, without charge, believing that at least so far this Commission could properly go, and that the services especially of the architects would be of value both now and in the future in designing the park construction which the town will unquestionably undertake.

Since the visit of your committee a communication has been received stating

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that the town proposes to take immediate action and to make a beginning in the construction of their parks. That they desire, if possible, to fill in the Washington Avenue bridge leaving a culvert for the passage of the tide-water. This, however, will require the consent of the Harbor and Land Commissioners, and the Winthrop committee ask that they may be assisted in obtaining this consent by the recommendation of this Board that in their judgment it is wise and desirable that the proposed filling should be done.

Finally, your committee would recommend that Messrs Olmsted and Eliot shall make a careful examination of the locality and after they have reported a suitable and proper plan that this Board extend to the local committee of Winthrop any and all assistance in its power, other than the appropriation of its funds.

For the committee.

(signed) P. A. Chase.

Vote as to the time of meetings of Commission.

C. Meetings

On motion of Mr. Chase it was voted that the meetings of this Commission shall hereafter be held regularly on Friday at 1.30 P. M.

Adjourned at 2.10 to meet Friday next at 1.30

H. S. Carruth
Secretary.

8th
[illegible].27, 1893.

Report of the eighth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the office of the Commission, [illegible] [illegible] Building, [illegible] at 2.30 P.M. Friday, October 27, 1893.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The Chairman called the meeting to order and the report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

[illegible] Blue Hills Res. [illegible]

The Secretary submitted the following report upon the first taking of the Blue Hills Reservation which, upon motion of Mr. [illegible], was laid upon the table.

Report of Secretary, Blue Hills Reservation, on valuation.

First report of the Secretary on the Blue Hills Reservation.

The Secretary reports that he is unable to make a more definite report upon the valuations of the land contained in the first taking of the Blue Hills Reservation. The data which is obtainable from the assessors of the towns of Milton and Canton would give in a general way an approximate idea of the value of these lands but does not give the exact valuation because of the fact that the estates, parts of which were taken within this reservation, contain also lands upon the highway known as Canton Avenue where the land is of superior quality and admirably adapted for residential purposes and in consequence carrying a high assessment.

The only way in which a fair award can be made will be by careful personal examination of that portion of each [illegible] estate taken and then obtaining from the

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assessors of the towns, especially of Milton, their views of the valuations of these particular portions.

The selectmen of Milton in discussing the question of the valuations of the Blue Hills lands in a general way stated their belief that while some of the land might be worth $50 an acre they thought that a large portion would unquestionably be appraised at the rate of $100 an acre and in some cases even more.

There appears to be about 938 acres, or in round figures 950 acres, in this proposed last taking and I have annexed a table showing the cost of this land at $50, $75, $100 and $125 an acre. I append also schedules of the valuations of the buildings within the reservation. In the town of Canton the buildings are assessed for $2500 and in the town of Milton for $11,200. As illustrating the lack of exactness of these valuations I call attention to the fact that the observatory on the top of the Great Blue Hill, belonging to Mr. Rotch, one-half of which is in Canton and one-half in Milton is valued in the former town at $600 and in the latter town at $3000.

I desire also to suggest for the consideration of the Commission whether in their judgment it might not be well to refrain from making awards on this taking, until such time as we shall have completed the further takings of the land to the eastward of the area now under consideration. These lands lying in Quincy are not held, as a rule, by wealthy residents, nor are they sought for residential purposes. On the contrary

[illegible]
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these are simply held mainly for their [illegible] of woodland and [illegible] can be secured for a smaller sum [illegible] than these parcels except lands in the West [illegible] and neighboring states.

There are private [illegible] an [illegible] paid in [illegible] competition between the owners of property in Milton to secure these various parcels of land adjoining their residences which has caused a fictitious price to be placed upon them. If we make our awards or any suits should be decided on the question of valuation [illegible] should be raised regarding these lands would it not have a tendency to cause the owners of the lands in Quincy, to place a higher valuation upon them than otherwise would be the case [illegible] we first disposed of.

Respectfully submitted
[illegible] W. S. [illegible]
Secretary

Appendix L.
[illegible] in Canton

			Acres	Amount [illegible]
[illegible] Davenport			[illegible]	[illegible]
Robertson			.31	[illegible]
J. F. Brown	([illegible])		[illegible]	[illegible]
A. L. Rotch	[illegible]			
" " "	[illegible] "		16.	25.
Dennis Mahoney			[illegible]1.75	[illegible]
Samuel Shaw, [illegible]			[illegible]	
	Total			[illegible] acres

 [illegible]

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[illegible] in Milton

			Acres		[illegible] per acre
1	Mrs. Lewin		14.7		$150.00
2	[illegible]	32 [illegible]			
3	" " "	13.5 "	45.5		157.
4	[illegible] Estate		31.6		100.
5	[illegible] L. Frothingham		27.		
6	[illegible] Wolcott		171.6	av.	119.
7	J. H. Farrington		.50		400.
8	Heirs Asaph Churchill		10.		42.
9	Reynolds		.30		
10	Hon. H. L. Pierce		9.5		50.
11	E. C. Floyd		22.		500.
12	Daniel Denny		24.		164.
13	[illegible] Denny		57.		100.
14	J. C. [illegible]		34.75		137.
15	Mrs. Mary Hemenway		163.	av.	97.50
16	Mrs. E. N. Cary		20.75		60.
17	W. E. C. Eustis		113.8	av.	137.
18	Mrs. [illegible]		7.		55.
19	Josiah Babcock		12.50		
	formerly Cook and Hunt		12.		40.
20	Hickey Estate		1.		
21	A. Crossman		3.6		28.
22	Ida F. Shapleigh		5.9		30.
23	J. M. Forbes		46.		50.
	Total		830 acres		

Total area in Milton 830 acres

" " " Canton 108.85 "

938.85

939 acres at $50. per acre $46,950.

" " " 75. " " 70,425.

" " " 100. " " 93,900.

" " " 125. " " 117,375

Appendix II

Valuations of Buildings, Canton.

1 Horace A. Davenport	house	$1500.	
	stable	100.	$1600.
2 A. Lawrence Rotch	½ observatory		600.
3 J. Robertson	house		300.
			2500

Valuations of Buildings, Milton

4 Geo. Lewis	house	3000.	
	barn	600.	3600.
5 A. Lawrence Rotch	½ observatory		3000.
6 H. L. Pierce	house	500.	
	3 barns	1500.	2000.
7 Mrs. E. M. Cary	house	1400	
	barn	1200	2600.
			11200

Total value of buildings $13700.

8 The Secretary was instructed to request the presence of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Town of Milton at the next meeting of the Board.

9 A general discussion in regard to the extension of the Blue Hill Reservation was participated in by all the members of the Commission but no definite action was taken.

Adjourned at 5.15 to meet Friday next, November 3rd, at 1.30 P.M.

[signature]
Secretary

91st
Nov. 3, 1893.

Record of the ninety-first meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the office of the Commission, numbers 111 and 112 Ames Building, Boston, at 1.30 P.M. Friday, November 3rd, 1893.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs. Chase, Casas and Howe.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

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C. B.B.R.
C. Perkins

Report of Secretary on the question of purchase of Perkins land in Beaver Brook Reservation, north section.

The Secretary submitted the following report upon the extension of the Beaver Brook Reservation.

Report of the Secretary
upon the extension of the Beaver Brook Reservation.

A conference was held at Watertown between Mr. [illegible] and your Secretary and Mr. Perkins, the owner of the property, and his counsel.

Mr. Perkins, through his counsel, represented that he owned the lower portion of the territory by deed from Samuel R. Payson and that it contained 8.71 acres together with the house thereon. He also claims that he is the owner, by deed from Mr. Payson, of the Kendall's mill property, with rights of flowage extending back a considerable distance, more or less.

A reference to his deed, which was submitted, developes the fact that his ownership of this mill property and rights of flowage is of rather an indefinite nature, no description containing metes and bounds being given in the deed but simply a quitclaim of Mr. Payson's rights, easements, appurtenances, etc., to the said Kendall mill. A close inquiry failed to develope any actual knowledge on the part of either Mr. Perkins or his counsel as to just what rights or property he owned in this upper portion.

The Belmont assessment for 1893 shows

[illegible]

that the Perkins property is assessed as follows:

Ice pond	$1000.
houses	2250.
ice sheds	400.
Total	$3650.

Mr. Perkins represents that he or his predecessors had been paying Messrs. Clapp & Co. [illegible] $100. a year for the privilege of cutting ice on Little Pond, so called, in this neighborhood. The said pond becoming unfit for the purpose of cutting ice they were obliged to look elsewhere for a suitable situation for the carrying on of their business. In pursuance of this object they bought the property now under consideration from Mr. [illegible], paying him therefor the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000.), three thousand dollars ($3000.) cash and seven thousand dollars ($7000.) in seven mortgage notes of $1000. each, one payable each year until the whole was paid.

He further claims that each year ice was [illegible], in the lower pond 1800 tons and in the upper pond fully as much, making a total of 3600 tons of ice. He further claims that the ice when cut and stored in the ice house at this point is worth fully 75¢ per ton and that he has had offers, both last year and before, of this price and better, to be taken from the house by the purchaser. He therefore figures the income and value upon this property as follows.

3000 tons of ice at 75¢ a ton	$2250.
rent of house	300.
Total	$2550.

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Viz.,

Cost of cutting 3000 tons and storing same in house at 25¢ a ton	$750.00
Taxes	86.16
Interest on plant, $13000, at 6%	780.00
Insurance on house, $2500.	3.75
" " ice	22.50
Repairs on house	30.00
Total	$1672.41

leaving a balance of $8[illegible].5[illegible].

Mr. Perkins offers to release all his claims of any and every nature to both upper and lower properties for the sum of $11000.

Your Secretary would state that he submitted the deeds of the property from Payson to Perkins to the examination of the Commission, Messrs. Ropes and Lackemann, who will report later thereon. Mr. Lackemann, in conversation, stated that while the said Perkins' title of the upper portion might be a good one that he was afraid that the rights of flowage which were probably originally granted for the purpose of maintaining a grist mill (for which purpose Kendall's mill was formerly used) might be called in question on use to maintain a perpetual pond for ornamental or other purposes than those for which the right was originally granted. He was of the opinion without having examined particularly into this case that if the Commissioners decided to take this upper portion it would be better to absolutely take the properties under the pond rather than to expect to successfully maintain the flowage rights which Perkins claims to be able to release.

If this case were to go to a jury

the probability would be that evidence such as was submitted to your Secretary of the net income of the property would be allowed by the court and considered by the jury in making their decision.

Your Secretary has endeavored to ascertain in a general way the value of ice cut and stored in the immediate vicinity of the City and finds that the price of 75¢ a ton is certainly not a high one." Further the fact that $10,000. was paid for the property about a year ago would also probably be considered by the jury favorably to Perkins.

After considering carefully the whole matter, weighing all the arguments and facts brought forward by the counsel for Mr. Perkins and investigating so far as is within his power your Secretary feels justified in recommending to the Commission that if said Perkins' title to the property is a sufficiently good one in the mind of the conveyancers of the Commission that the property be purchased and that the Secretary be authorized to purchase at a sum not exceeding $10,000.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) H. S. [illegible]
Secretary

Vote authorizing purchase of [illegible] Perkins' land in [illegible]

The following order offered by Mr. [illegible] was passed:

Ordered; That the Secretary be authorized to purchase the lands on Mill Street in the town of Belmont or city of Waltham, belonging to William H. Perkins for a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars ($10,000.) provided the title to said lands shall be approved by Messrs. [illegible]

Nov. 3, 1893

Vote for taking of south section of Beaver Brook Reservation.

[illegible] the [illegible] of the Commission.

The following order of taking made, on motion of Mr. Chase, passed by a unanimous vote;

The Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners
November 3, 1893.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission", being Chapter Four hundred and Seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in lands hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said Act.

Now therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said Act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in anywise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local Boards, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said Act and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying partly in Waltham and partly in Belmont in the County of Middlesex, and shown on plan made by William T. Pierce, dated October 1893, also marked "Beaver Brook Oaks, Proposed Boundary

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of Lands to be taken, Waltham, Belmont & [illegible] 31 Oct. 1893" and being Metropolitan Park Commissioners Plan No. 2, the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official records of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows, viz:- Beginning at a point at the middle of a stone wall on the Southeasterly side of Quince Street, so called, in said Waltham at a point marked "A" on said plan: thence running Southerly by a straight line marked "Proposed line of Reservation", through points "B" and "C" on said plan, crossing Beaver Brook, so called, to land of the Boston and Maine Railroad to a point marked "D" on said plan: thence turning and running nearly Easterly by said land of said Railroad to, crossing the boundary line between said Waltham and said Belmont to point marked "E" on said plan: thence turning and running nearly Northerly by line shown on said plan as "Proposed line of Reservation" and lettered "E-F" to the point shown on said plan as "F": thence turning and running Northeasterly by a straight line, going in part across the end of a proposed street as shown on said plan to a point marked "G" on said plan, on Mill Street in said Belmont: thence turning and running Northwesterly along the Southwesterly side line of said Mill Street, and along the Southwesterly side line of Trapelo Road, so called, and by the curve forming the junction of said Trapelo Road and said Quince Street, and thence in a general Southwesterly direction by the Southeasterly side line of said Quince Street to the point of beginning: said lands being taken from lands of [illegible], [illegible], Martin McNulty, and Henry F. Campbell respectively.

Adj. Nov. 3, 1893. con-

Witness our hands, third day of November, A.D. 1893.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

1 Mr. Chase offered the following order which was passed:

C. Winthrop. Pub. Op. Sp.

Order for Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot to investigate open spaces in Winthrop

Ordered:—That Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot investigate the areas within the town of Winthrop adapted for park purposes and submit a plan showing their recommendations in relation thereto.

2 The Secretary read the following letter from Mr. John A. Fenno, Mayor of Newton, referred to the Secretary with instructions to prepare an answer to be submitted at the next meeting of this Board.

C. Newton Pub. Op. Sp. Letter from Mayor of Newton.

West Newton, Mass. Oct. 31, 1893.

Metropolitan Park Commissioners.

Boston, Mass.

Gentlemen:—

The City of Newton has begun proceedings to take by eminent domain for public park purposes, three or four acres of land in Auburndale, bordering on the Charles River. Will you kindly inform me if, under the authority of Chapter 407, Acts of 1893, the State can contribute anything towards the price which the city will be obliged to pay for this land. During the year 1893 the city has expended about $27,000. for other pieces of land, most of which borders on the Charles River, for public park purposes and the deeds for

the same to the City of Boston on the Commission's record. Will you also inform me if, under the same authority, the State can contribute anything towards the expense incurred by the city for this work, which has already been paid for.

Yours truly,
(Signed) John A. Fenno.
Mayor.

Secretary to transmit plan to Metropolitan Park Commission.

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Mr Roche offered the following order:
Ordered that the Secretary transmit to the Metropolitan Park Commission a plan of the western section of the proposed Blue Hill Reservation for their consideration.
Adjourned at 3.15 to meet on Friday, November 10th at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Carruth
Secretary

10th
Nov. 10, 1893.

Record of the tenth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the office of the Commission, numbers 111 and 112 Ames Building, Boston, at 1.30 P. M. Friday, November 10th 1893.

2 On motion of Mr Edwards, the Clerk was elected Chairman Pro tempore.

The records of the preceding were read and accepted.

3 The Secretary read the following correspondence which was ordered placed on file.

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[illegible]

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Nov. 10, 1893.
Copy.—

Letter from W. H. Perkins accepting offer of Commission for land in Beaver Brook Reservation.

Boston, November 5th, 1893.

Mr. William H. Perkins
Watertown, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir: —

In accordance with a vote passed by this Commission at its meeting on Friday last I was authorized to purchase from you all your right, title and interest in the property held by you and known as the Copeland estate and Kendall's Mills properties on Mill Street in the town of Belmont and City of Waltham. In accordance, therefore, with that vote I hereby offer you ten thousand dollars ($10,000.), being the full sum allowed by the Commission for this purchase.

I request that you will do me the favor to reply by return of mail accepting or rejecting the above award.

Yours very truly
(signed) C. S. Carruth.
Secretary.

Watertown, November 10, 1893.

We hereby accept the above award and agree to give a quitclaim deed of all our right, title and interest in the above mentioned properties when called for by said Commission.

(signed) William H. Perkins.
William C. Howard.

C. Newton, File Ap. 7b.

The following letter from the Secretary to the Mayor of Newton, in response to his letter of October 31st, was read and the Secretary was instructed to forward the same.

Boston, November 10th, 1893.

Hon. John A. Fenno, Mayor,
West Newton, Massachusetts.

Letter from Secretary to the Mayor of Newton

Dear Sir: –

In reply to your letter of October 31st inquiring if, under the authority of Chapter 407 of the Acts of 1893, this Commission could contribute anything towards the price which your City must pay for park lands this year or toward the expense which your City incurred last year for similar purposes. The members of the Commission have carefully considered the question which you ask and they feel that under the authority conferred upon them by the Act above mentioned they would have no proper justification in constructing or assisting in the construction of any parks strictly within the limits of one municipality unless the said parks were of some extraordinary character such, possibly, as the territory known as Revere Beach.

As yet the Commission have strictly observed this rule and will probably continue to do so, feeling that a proper construction of the Act, as I have said, admits of no other procedure.

It is sincerely to be regretted that effective aid cannot be rendered to the cities and towns within the Metropolitan District in the construction of their local parks but as under the present law the City of Boston is called upon to pay one-half of all the expense of the cost and maintenance it would seem unjust to so early tax Boston for park construction outside her borders especially when one bears in mind that Boston has already expended in the vicinity of $11,500,000 for her own local parks.

Permit me, however, to call your attention to the Act of the last Legislature entitled "An Act to Improve the Charles River" being

10th Nov. 10, 1893 cop.- Chapter 47 of the Acts of 1893, which constitutes a joint Commission of the Metropolitan Park Commission and the State Board of Health to, in the words of the Statute, "investigate the sanitary condition and prepare plans for the improvement of the beds, shores and waters of the Charles River between Charles River Bridge and the Waltham line on Charles River." It is very possible that under this Act lands taken by your City on the shores of the Charles River might, in some part, be paid for by the Commonwealth. This is, however, a matter upon which I should prefer to express no definite opinion but it would seem to be a matter which it would be desirable for you to investigate.

I will state for your information that the two Boards have met sometime since and appointed a sub-committee which has been vigorously prosecuting the work devolving upon them by the statute.

I should be very happy at any time to give any further information that it is within my power to convey.

I have the honor to be,

Very truly yours,

(signed) H. S. Carruth,

Secretary

C. Squantum. The following communication from the Secretary was read and ordered placed on file, and on motion of Mr Casas the following order was passed.

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Communication from Secretary in relation to Squantum.

Boston, November [illegible], 1893.

Hon. Charles Francis Adams, Chairman.

Sir:—

Your Secretary desires to call the attention of the Board to the condition of affairs at Squantum Head. This beautiful headland one of the most remarkable on the shores of Massachusetts, of remarkably easy access for thousands of people within the Metropolitan District, is being rapidly destroyed and its beauty irretrievably ruined. Certain departments of the City Government of Boston are removing immense quantities of rock making a hole of large proportions nearly in the centre of the headland. As yet no absolutely irreparable damage has been done. The contour of the whole as seen from any direction has not as yet been seriously interfered with but this condition cannot probably last much longer. The removal of much more stone will effectually destroy its remarkable beauty.

Your Secretary cannot but feel that while it may not be the intention of this Board, burdened as it is at the present time with many and large undertakings, to consider the taking of any other tracts, yet, is it not a wise policy that points which are of such unusual beauty and have been for so many years popular resorts for the masses of the people as Squantum Head should be protected from desecration and destruction as far as the influence of this Commission can accomplish such protection.

There exists in your Secretary's mind no doubt whatever that Squantum Head will some day be a public reservation, connected as it is with the historic settlement of Boston Bay.

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having been a favorite resort for tens of thousands of people for many generations and being still visited and its beauties still admired. As the population of the Metropolitan District, which is rapidly enclosing it, grows larger and larger so will the demand, that it be set apart and dedicated to the public use keep pace with the growth of the population and its neighborhood.

It may be that the associations of a life time influence the mind of your Secretary in the judgment which he has expressed but he feels confident that a careful personal examination by the Commission would sustain the position which he has taken.

Your Secretary's suggestion then is that he be authorized by a vote of the Commission to inquire into the use which is now being made of this property by the departments of the municipal government of Boston, of their proposed future use and that if investigation should reveal the intention of any of the aforesaid departments to still further prosecute the work of destruction that His Honor the Mayor be asked to take such action as shall, for the present at least, prevent any further progress.

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) H. S. Carruth,
Secretary.

Order authorizing Secretary to communicate with the Mayor of Boston in relation to Squantum.

Ordered: The Secretary of this Board is hereby authorized to investigate the use now being made of Squantum Head, in the City of Quincy, by certain departments of the municipal government of the City

Nov. 10, 1893. cont. — of Boston and that he be further authorized to request His Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston to restrain any further work upon said Squantum Head destructive of the beauty of its natural features and report his findings to this Board.

1 Mr. Casas offered the following order which was passed.

Vote giving leave to W. C. Perkins to cut ice on Beaver Brook Reservation — Ordered:— That the request of Mr. William C. Perkins to cut ice and store the same upon the pond and land bought of him this day at Belmont by this Commission be granted until August 1st, 1894, subject to the right of revocation at any time by this Board and to the imposition by it from time to time of suitable rules and regulations in relation thereto.

C. Perkins, W. C.

2 Mr. Casas offered the following order which was passed,

Ordered:— That the Secretary be authorized to procure bids for supplying stone monuments from time to time as required for use as boundary markers for the reservations to be taken by this Board.

Boundstones

Conference with Milton Board — A conference was held with Messrs. Vose & Kidder

3 of the Milton Board in relation to the Blue Hill Reservation. The Milton Board requesting further time for the consideration of the matter before them, it was granted. At the request of the Milton Board Messrs. Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot were requested to prepare and submit to this Board a means of approach on the southeasterly side of the proposed reservation from Canton Avenue or Harland Street in the town of Milton.

4 Mr. Richards offered the following order which was passed;

Ordered:— That the Secretary extend to Hon. H. L. Pierce the thanks of this Commission for the gift of a copy, to each member, of Mr. Ellis Ames valuable history of the Redman Farm in the town of Canton.

Adjourned at 4.20 to meet on Friday Nov. 17, at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Carruth Secretary.

11th
Nov. 17, 1893.

Record of the eleventh meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the office of the Commission, numbers 11 and 12 Ames Building, Boston at 2.30 P.M. Friday, November 17, 1893.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs Chase and Pierce.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Report of landscape architects on Beaver Brook Reservation.

The following letter from Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot addressed to the Commission, and dated November 13th, reporting upon the Beaver Brook Oakes Reservation, was read and ordered placed on file.

[illegible]
[illegible]

13th November 1893.

To the Metropolitan Park Commission,
11 Ames Building, Boston, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:- The undersigned beg leave to report upon the subject of the boundary of the proposed Beaver Brook Reservation.

This reservation is divided into two parts by a road which in Belmont is called Mill Street and in Waltham Trapelo Road. The section south of this dividing line includes the great Oakes. The north section includes the Fall of Beaver Brook.

If the charming scene in which the Oakes stand is to be permanently defended from the close approach of unsightly objects the reservation should certainly extend southward as far as the railroad. The [illegible] boundary of this section is made by [illegible] and [illegible] Streets. For an east boundary we recommend a line which will put Beaver Brook entirely within the reservation, together with the [illegible] face of a ridge of woods which projects northward from the railroad. For a west boundary we recommend a straight line which we have drawn in such a way as will enable the

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adjacent owners. The Board by effecting an exchange of [illegible] to possess a continuous frontage on the reservation. With a plantation along the [illegible] on the north, along the brook and [illegible] on the east, and along the Board's line on the west, this south section can be fairly effectually enclosed.

As to the north section we think the brook flows from a small pond over a fall and down a narrow valley, the east and south bounds are fixed by existing streets. The west bound should follow a line which will include the knolls which flank the valley and the pond. The north line may either go out to the street over the dam of the Upper Pond or, if it is desired to include the Upper Pond, it should follow a line which will include the [illegible] face of the knoll which bounds the pond upon the west, and thence go out to the street between the house of the adjacent owner and the water. We do not think the Upper Pond is worth any great expense.

We submit herewith plans showing the boundaries above proposed and described.

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot.

Secretary ordered to report land values ... north section of ... Reservation. — 1

Conference with Milton Park Board. — 2

The Secretary was ordered to report on the land values of the [illegible] Brook [illegible].

A conference was held with the Milton Park Board of Park Commissioners which was generally participated in by all members present of both Boards, resulting in the Milton Board expressing their willingness to concur with this Board in the first taking of the westerly end of the Blue Hill Reservation.

Adjourned at 4.30 P.M. to meet on Friday, November 24th, at 1.30 P.M.

[illegible]

Secretary.

12th
Nov. 24, 1893.

Record of the twelfth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the office of the Commission, [illegible] Ames Building, Boston, at 2.30 P.M. Friday, November 24, 1893.

Present all members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

The Secretary submitted the following report;

E.F.R.
Report of Secretary on the land values of the north section of Beaver Brook Reservation.
[illegible]
E.F.R.

November 23, 1893.

Hon. Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir:

In accordance with the vote passed at the last meeting of the Board instructing me to report upon the land values of the extension of the Beaver Brook Reservation I find the property which is included in the first parcel, according to the surveyor's plan made by Messrs. Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot, to contain 18.21 acres assessed at various prices from $40 to $250 per acre. I should consider the probable cost of these 18.21 acres would not be far from $12600.

There is upon the property of the third [illegible] in the following additional [illegible] a stable valued at $300, making a sum total of $12900.

There is a second parcel shown on the plan referred to above containing 5.14 acres. About one half of this is nominally assessed at $81 an acre. Of the balance I have been unable to find an assessment as it consists of the land under the Upper Pond. I have [illegible] the value of these 5.14 acres $450, making a grand total of $13,350.

The following schedule will show the ownership, areas, assessed valuations and my estimate of the values.

1st Parcel,

	Acres		Damages
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
J. K. Adkins	.58	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
J. S. [illegible]	1.35	[illegible]	[illegible]
	18.21		$12,600.
[illegible]	Stable		500.
			$[illegible]

2nd Parcel.

J. S. [illegible]	2.71	[illegible]	300.
(Pond)	2.43		150.
	5.14		$13,350.

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) H. S. Carruth, Secy.

Secretary to prepare plans and papers for the taking of the [illegible] section of [illegible] Brook Reservation

Mr. Richards offered the following order which was passed:—

Ordered:— That the Secretary prepare plans and papers for the taking of the Beaver Brook Lake Extension and submit the same for the action of this Board at the next meeting.

Report of Secretary on awards first taken in the [illegible] section of [illegible] Brook Reservation

The Secretary submitted the following report on the awards for land and damages at the Beaver Brook Reservation.

November 23, 1893.

Hon. Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir;

I beg leave to submit the following report upon the awards to be made in the first taking by this Commission which includes that portion of the Beaver Brook Lake Reservation on the south side of [illegible] Street in Belmont & [illegible] Road in Waltham.

The estate of Samuel [illegible] covers 73.13 acres in this taking which I have called worth

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[illegible] per acre. The portion of this property which is within the Town of Belmont is [illegible] at $[illegible] per acre, and that portion within the City of Waltham, which is the larger part, at $[illegible] per acre.

[illegible] owns 5.70 acres which I have valued worth $[illegible] per acre. This land is [illegible] in the Town of Belmont and the average valuation of his property in the Town of Belmont is at the rate of $[illegible] per acre but a considerable portion of this holding in the Town of Belmont is [illegible] available building land fronting upon both [illegible] and near a railway station, whereas the portion which this Commission has taken [illegible] and of which the [illegible] acres now under consideration is a part is [illegible] and boggy land of small value. It could not be used for building purposes without a large expenditure in draining and filling, which expenditure would, in my judgment, cost [illegible] more than the value of the land when completed. The said [illegible] within the City of Waltham which is assessed at $[illegible] and which is land of the character that I have just described. I have, therefore, considered [illegible] fair [illegible] for the land taken.

[illegible] E. [illegible] owns one acre of available land. It has the [illegible] under cultivation and will be considered as good [illegible] land. It, however, has no frontage upon the street [illegible] back land. The average valuation of [illegible] land in Waltham is $[illegible] per acre but I have considered that it was worth fully as much as the property of the [illegible] and have therefore [illegible]

[illegible] Allen,

I come now to the piece of land which is the most difficult to determine and where I feel the largest measure of uncertainty, namely, the one belonging to Martin McNalley.

Martin McNalley purchased this tract of a real estate speculator [illegible] years ago. He paid down a small sum of money [illegible] the [illegible] of $50 and according to his story the purchase price was $150. He assumed besides [illegible] to pay $10 a month, which I understand he has done. He has no deed of the property but a bond for the deed which deed he is to receive when the payments have aggregated a certain sum when I presume the owner of the property would take a mortgage back for the balance. He has erected upon the property a miserable little shanty in which he lives with another man. For this shanty he claims compensation and as the result of a considerable interview I was unable to get him to name or suggest any price which he would accept less than $2800.

To be perfectly plain he is an ordinary example of an ignorant man undoubtedly acting under legal or semi legal advice, keeping the land for the purpose of obtaining an exorbitant price, putting up the shanty in order to claim homestead rights and one with whom as a result of my interview I believe it to be entirely time wasted to attempt further negotiations. I seriously question whether the sum named of $150 is bona fide. In conversation with him as the result of some slight questioning he accidentally let drop the remark that his friends told him that $150 was $50 more than he ought to have paid. Undoubtedly

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the property is not worth over $400. or $500. Most of it is low, wet and boggy. It abuts [illegible] the railroad location of the Central Massachusetts Road, now controlled by the Boston & Maine; and it has no frontage upon any street, possessing presumably some rights of way of doubtful value. I have called this land of [illegible] worth $750 [illegible] upon his statement that he paid $750 therefor, though I regard it as a most unjust and exorbitant price.

This would bring the sum total of awards to $9,184.

I would suggest that the Commission should pass the following order for my instruction and guidance in the premises.

Respectfully submitted
(signed) H. S. Smith
Secretary

Order making awards for land Beaver Brook Reservation South section.

Mr. Chase offered the following order which was passed.

Ordered:- That the following sums be awarded to the owners of property within the limits of the first taking of the Beaver Brook Reservation:

Names

Heirs of Samuel D. Ward	23.93 acres	$7179.
Henry F. Campbell	5.70 "	855.
E. N. Pierce	1. "	300.
Martin W. [illegible]	[illegible] "	850.

in full compensation for the said lands and damages resulting from the taking thereof and the Secretary is hereby authorized to settle with the said owners for the sums above named upon their proving their title to the same to the satisfaction of the Counsel of the Commission

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Order Secretary to notify owners of land in Beaver Brook of the taking of said lands

Mr. Chase offered the following order which was passed.

Ordered: — That the Secretary notify the owners of property within the boundaries of the first taking of land of the Beaver Brook reservation of the awards made this day by the Commission.

Winthrop [illegible]

The following letter from Messrs. Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot reporting upon the matter of open spaces in the town of Winthrop was received and ordered on file.

24th November 1892.

To the Metropolitan Park Commission,

Report of Landscape Architects on Winthrop

Sirs: —

In obedience to an order of your Board we have visited Winthrop and beg leave to report as follows:

The township of Winthrop is not large and it is almost surrounded by the salt water of the Bay and Harbor. For the people of the metropolitan district the ocean front of the township would unquestionably be a valuable possession. A part of this sea front — Grovers Cliff — is owned by the United States. Another part — the mile-long beach which connects Grovers Cliff with Great Head — already has a public way along its crest, but the roadway is exceedingly narrow and the beach from the roadway to low-water mark is private property. Great Head itself is a small but commanding point of view.

If the United States Government could be persuaded to permit the use of a shore-side promenade around Grovers Cliff, if the private owners of the beach would surrender their ownerships therein and if the summit of Great Head could be obtained by gift or by purchase — a continuous [illegible] frontage of [illegible] water would be obtained. [illegible]

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[illegible] attempting by either a local park commission or your Board.

With regard to other opportunities for attractive recreation grounds in Winthrop, we find that after the ocean front, the next best thing is the shore on the harbor side. Money spent for recreation grounds upon the shore will certainly yield greater returns in pleasure and refreshment than it would if it were spent for inland reservations. These shores are near to every part of Winthrop, and we cannot recommend the town to buy inland spaces while any of the waterside is still obtainable. Ten acres of play-ground adjacent to the principal school is already owned by the town, and another ten acres might with advantage be accepted by gift from the adjacent Ingalls estate. If ample space upon the shore were made public, this play-ground, with the forty-six acres owned by Government for a mortar battery, should suffice Winthrop for many years.

We learned that a local park Commission would very probably be established soon and we therefore deferred all detailed study of limits or boundaries.

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot.

C. Winthrop
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The following letter from the Winthrop Committee on Parks and Boulevards was received, read and placed on file,

Winthrop, Dec. 28th, 1893.

To the Metropolitan Park Commission
Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In behalf of the Town of Winthrop, we acknowledge with thanks the assistance voted by your Board to our Town, on date Dec. 22, 1893. This action signifies to us the sympathy and co-operation of the Commonwealth in the peculiar, vital work of securing adequate public breathing spaces for the people of the great capital, metropolitan Boston, whereof our town is essentially a part.

Our committee also expresses to you its gratification at the pleasant and satisfactory beginning of operations made Saturday, Dec. 16th, when Messrs John C. Olmsted and Charles Eliot inspected Winthrop with a view to making plans and recommendations for park reservations. Our feeling is similar regarding the original visit of inspection made by your sub-committee on Winthrop, Messrs. P. A. Chase and W. B. de las Casas; and we anticipate with pleasure a continuation of the amicable conference with your Commission, for which purpose our Committee has been appointed.

Respectfully,
(Signed) Winthrop Committee on Parks & Boulevards,
per J. L. Kent
Secretary

Mr. Richardson offered the following order which was passed.

Protection [illegible]

Voted, — That the Secretary be hereby directed to take such steps as may be necessary and expedient for the protection of any reser-

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[illegible] which have already been acquired or the immediate acquisition of which is contemplated.

1 Mr. Richards offered the following order which was passed.

Order Secretary to prepare code of rules governing reservations. C.F.R.

Voted:— That the Secretary be instructed to prepare a code of rules for the proper policing and protection of the reservations which either have been already acquired or the immediate acquisition of which is contemplated, and report the same to the Board at its next meeting.

2 The Secretary was instructed to report upon the sand mines at Revere Beach between Porter Street and the Point of Pines.

Secretary to report sand mines at Revere Beach. C.F.R. [illegible]

Mr. Chase moved that this Board adjourn to meet on Friday, the 1st of December, at 3.15

H. S. Carruth
Secretary.

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Report of the thirteenth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111 and 112 Ames Building, Boston, at 3.15 P.M. Friday, December 1, 1893.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs Chase, Casamajor and Richards.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

3 The following order of taking was, on motion of Mr. Richards passed by a unanimous

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No. [illegible]
[illegible]

Land Taking
Beaver Brook Reservation
north section

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners
December [illegible] 1893.

Whereas the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commissioners, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in lands hereinafter described, for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act;

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local boards, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner provided in and by said act and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in lands, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying partly in Waltham and partly in Belmont, in the County of Middlesex, and shown on a plan made by William T. Pierce, dated November 1893, also marked "Beaver Brook Reservation, North Section, Proposed Boundary of Lands to be taken, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, scale 80 feet to an inch, [illegible] Nov. 1893" and being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. [illegible], the original of which is to be recorded herewith, and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, [illegible] bounded and described as

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follows, viz: Beginning at the middle of a stone wall on the north-westerly side of Trapelo Road, so called, in said Waltham, at a point marked "A" on said plan; thence running north-easterly in the middle of said wall, bounded north-westerly by land shown on said plan as of the heirs of Moses Stearns, two hundred and eighty (280) feet, to the intersection of a cross wall at a point marked "B" on said plan; thence continuing in the same direction to the intersection of another cross wall, at a point marked "E" on said plan, twenty three and ten hundredths (23.10) feet; thence turning and running north-westerly, nearly northerly, by a straight line passing through land shown on said plan as of the heirs of Daniel Deshon, to a point formed by the intersection of the middle line of two stone walls, marked "D" on said plan, three hundred and forty-seven and forty hundredths (347.40) feet; thence turning and running north-easterly by the middle line of a stone wall separating two parcels, shown on said plan as of the heirs of Daniel Deshon, and in the same straight line continued five hundred and twenty-seven and seventy hundredths (527.70) feet through land of said heirs, and four hundred and three and sixty hundredths (403.60) feet through land shown on said plan as of Josiah S. Kendall, in all nine hundred and thirty-one and thirty hundredths (931.30) feet, to a point marked "C" on said plan; thence turning and running north-westerly, but more westerly, two hundred and seventy (270) feet, to a stone monument at a point marked "F" on said plan; thence turning and running south-westerly three hun-

three and thirty-eight feet (38), to point marked "B" on said plan, on the northeasterly side of Mill Street, so called, in said Belmont, said last line being through said land shown as of Joseph S. Kendall; thence turning and running in a general north-westerly direction by the northeasterly side line of said Mill Street four hundred and nine (409) feet, to a point formed by the intersection of said side line with the middle line of a stone wall on said land of said Kendall, running north-westerly from said street to one of the outlets of the Upper Pond, so called; thence continuing in a general north-westerly direction, bounded by said side line of said Mill Street as aforesaid, by various courses, eight hundred and sixty-one (861) feet, to a point formed by the intersection of said side line with the middle line of a boundary wall between parcels shown on said plan as of William H. Howard and of Heirs, respectively; thence continuing by said side line of said Mill Street four hundred and thirty eight and fifty hundredths (438.50) feet, to the beginning of a curve formed by the junction of said Mill Street with Trapelo Street, so called, in said Belmont; thence running westerly and north-westerly by said curve seventy-nine (79) feet, to a point in the middle of a stone wall; thence running north-westerly, bounded south-westerly by the north-easterly side line of said Trapelo Street one hundred and twelve (112) feet, to a point at the middle of the north-easterly face of a stone bound on the line between said Waltham and said Belmont; thence from said point by a straight line along the north-east side of Trapelo Road, so called, in said Waltham, three hundred and seventy four and thirty hundredths (374.30) feet; thence north-westerly, more westerly, by said side of said road, by a curved line, one hundred and twenty two and ten hundredths (122.10) feet to the point of beginning. Said lands being taken from the heirs of Samuel D. Ward, from the heirs of Daniel Sullivan, from Joseph S.

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[illegible] from William C. Strong, [illegible] grantors, respectively.

Witness our hands, this first day of December, A.D. 1893.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

1 Secretary's report on land values at Revere Beach. c. R.B.R. c. Claims R.B.R.

The Secretary made a preliminary report upon the valuations of a portion of the territory known as Revere Beach which was read and referred to the sub committee upon Revere Beach.

Mr. Chase offered the following order which was passed;

2 [illegible] Secretary to employ men in the Blue Hills Reservation. c. Clearing. B.H.R.

Ordered:—That the Secretary be authorized to employ such number of men as he may deem necessary to remove dead wood, and brush, liable to cause wood fires, in the Blue Hill Reservation, said men to also act as a guard to prevent cutting of wood.

3 c. Foreman. Order Secretary authorized to employ Wilfred Rackemann.

Mr. Richards offered the following order which was passed;

Ordered;—That the Secretary be authorized to employ Mr. Wilfred Rackemann as a foreman of laborers from Dec. 1, 1893, until May 1, 1894, at a salary not exceeding $1200. per annum.

Adjourned at 4.15 to meet on Friday, December 8, at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Bennett
Secretary.

14th
Dec. 8, 1893.

Report of the fourteenth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the office of the Commission, number 14 [illegible] Building, Boston, at 2.30 P.M. Friday, December 8, 1893.

Present, the Chairman, Messrs. [illegible] and [illegible].

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

C. B.H.R. An informal discussion was had upon the presentation and reading by the Secretary of the following letter from Mr. Charles E. [illegible], dated December 8th, 1893, resulting in the reference of the matter to the landscape architects and the Secretary for settlement.

Boston, December 8, 1893.

[illegible] Metropolitan Park Commission,

Boston, Mass.

Gentlemen;—

I send the sketch of area Blue Hill Section which we have used in locating the line of taking. The line is, with the exception of a few hundred feet, which will probably be finished to day, all marked upon the ground. This work has taken much longer than I had hoped, as almost the entire line ran through the woods and had to be cut, this [illegible] being quite a distance from the preliminary line previously run. Many of the tangent lines lying outside of the taking considerable care had to be used in the cutting in order not to damage the property or create ill-feeling with the land owners, who, in that locality, place great value on their trees. When trees of any size are encountered considerable time is necessarily involved in working the line around them, rather than to seriously trespass on the property by cutting them down, thereby bringing the scheme and Commission into disfavor with owners, whose good will is desirable.

The plan with distances on tangents and curves carefully calculated will be ready for Messrs. Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot in a few days.

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[illegible] Assistant Clerk of work done.
Yours truly
(sgd.) [illegible]
Engineer.

Adjourned at 3.30 to meet on Tuesday, December 12, at 12 M.

H. S. Carruth
Secretary

15th
Dec. 12, 1893.

Fifteenth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the office of the Commissioners, number [illegible] in Ames Building, Boston, at 12 M. Tuesday, December 12, 1893.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs. Chase, Lucas and Richards.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Mr. Richards offered the following order of taking, which was passed.

The Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners.
December 12, 1893.

Taking of [illegible] Section of the Blue Hills Reservation
[illegible] Takings
[illegible]
Taking – [illegible] – 3.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled, "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in lands hereinafter described for the purposes, and under the powers and limitations, set forth in said act.

Now, Therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan

Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us
by said act, and of any and every other power and author-
ity us hereto in any manner enabling, acting herein in
consultation with the proper local boards, have taken and
do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of
Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Common-
wealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner provided
in and by said act, the parcels of land and rights in
land hereinafter particularly described, lying in the towns
of Canton and Milton, in the county of Norfolk, in said
Commonwealth, according to a plan marked "Blue Hills
Reservation, Western Section, Boundary of Lands to be taken,
Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot, Landscape Architects, 12 December,
1893," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No.
3, which plan was made by Charles E. E. Peck, civil
engineer and surveyor, and is dated December, 1893,
reference to which is hereby expressly made, the original of
which is to be recorded herewith, and the duplicate of
which is to remain on file in the office or archives of
said Board, to wit:- Beginning at the north-easterly
corner of the turnpike called Washington Street and Blue Hill
Street, so called, in said Canton; thence running in a
general northerly direction along the easterly side line of said
Washington Street, where it is bounded by lands shown on
said plan as of Horace W. Davenport, of Dennis Mahoney
and of Samuel Shaw, trustee, three thousand two
hundred and ninety-eight feet, to a stone bound in the
division line between said towns of Canton and Milton;
thence continuing on said side line of said turnpike in
Milton, where it is called Canton Avenue, bounded by
lands shown on said plan as of Mrs. Louisa, Louisa
D. Gillingham, and Roger Wolcott, nineteen hundred
and twenty-six feet, to a stone monument on said
side line, at a point marked "A," which monument
is nearly in the middle line of Brush Hill Road,
so called, extended across said turnpike to said

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[illegible]; thence running S. 24° 21' 30" E. three hundred seventy-one and 42/100 feet to stone bound at point marked "B" on said plan; thence running southerly by a curved line (with a radius of 133 1/100 feet) seventy-seven and 72/100 feet to a stone bound; thence south-easterly by a curved line (with a radius of 1,216 68/100 feet) six hundred and forty and 77/100 feet to a stone bound; thence S. 51° 42' 30" E., passing through stone bounds at points marked "C" and "D" on said plan, four hundred twenty three and 77/100 feet to a stone bound; thence easterly and north-easterly by a curved line (with a radius of 825 46/100 feet) seven hundred fifteen and 53/100 feet to a stone bound; thence easterly, more northerly, by a curved line (with a radius of 576 48/100 feet) two hundred ten and 1/100 feet to a stone bound in division line between said lands of Roger Wolcott and lands of Edward E. Floyd, and continuing by the same curve two hundred fifty-five and 57/100 feet to a stone bound; thence N. 45° 15' 30" E., passing through stone bounds at points marked "E" and "F" on said plan, three hundred thirty-two and 54/100 feet to another stone bound; thence more easterly by a curved line (with a radius of 2,3 83/100 feet) nineteen and 67/100 feet to a stone bound in division line between said lands of said Floyd and lands of Daniel Denny; thence continuing by the same curve three hundred twenty and 58/100 feet to a stone bound at point marked "G" on said plan; thence running nearly easterly two hundred seventy-five and 4 15/100 feet to a stone bound in division line between said lands of said Denny and lands of Mrs. Mary Hemenway, shown on said plan; thence N. 76° 10' E. fifteen hundred twenty-seven and 46/100 feet to a stone bound in the division

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line between said lands of said Rumery and lands of William E. C. Easter; thence a little north of east, passing through stone bound at point marked "H" on said plan, to another stone bound four hundred twenty-one and $\frac{14}{100}$ feet; thence north easterly by a curved line (with a radius of 708 $\frac{52}{100}$ feet) three hundred ninety and $\frac{35}{100}$ feet to a stone bound; thence N. 45° 57' E., passing through stone bound at point marked "I" on said plan, six hundred ninety-four and $\frac{55}{100}$ feet to another stone bound; thence more easterly, south-easterly and southerly by a curved line (with a radius of 530 and $\frac{75}{100}$ feet), passing around and outside of a "pine knoll" shown on said plan and passing through stone bound at point marked "J" on said plan, and through stone bound in division line between said lands of said Easter and lands of W. Brennan by two measurements, two hundred five and $\frac{6}{100}$ feet and eight hundred twenty seven and $\frac{85}{100}$ feet, respectively, to stone bound at end of said curve; thence south easterly by a straight line, passing through stone bound at point marked "K" on said plan, two hundred fifty-seven and $\frac{76}{100}$ feet to stone bound in division line between said lands of said Brennan and lands of Ida F. Shapleigh; thence S. 26° 37' E. nine hundred forty five and $\frac{45}{100}$ feet to a stone bound at point marked "L" on said plan in division line between said lands of said Shapleigh and lands of J. W. Foster; thence in same straight line two hundred twenty-one and $\frac{2}{100}$ feet to stone bound; thence still more southerly by a curved line (with a radius of 673 $\frac{52}{100}$ feet) two hundred ninety-nine and $\frac{55}{100}$ feet to stone bound at point marked "M" on said plan; thence S. 47° 48' E. four hundred sixty-nine and $\frac{38}{100}$ feet to stone bound at point marked "N" on said plan; thence

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S. 34° 48' E. five hundred nine and 75/100 feet to stone bound in the northerly side line of Hillside Street, so called, in said Milton, at point marked "C" on said plan; thence along northerly or north-westerly side of Hillside Street, by various courses and distances, south-westerly, westerly, south-westerly, north-westerly, all as shown on said plan, eighty-seven hundred and ninety-one feet to the town line between said Canton and said Milton, at a stone bound; thence continuing in a general north-westerly direction by the north-easterly side line of Blue Hill Street, so called, in said Canton, twenty-six hundred and thirty feet to the point of beginning.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel, or part thereof, included within the foregoing description, or how-soever otherwise bounded or described; and be said measurements, or any of them, more or less. Said town of Canton has no Board of Park Commissioners."

Chairman

1 Mr. Casas offered the following order which was passed.

[illegible] Pub. Statutes
Secretary to procure from the Secretary of the Commonwealth complete set of Public Statutes

Ordered:--That the Secretary be instructed to procure from the Secretary of the Commonwealth a copy of the Public Statutes and such of the Blue Books necessary to complete the set as the Secretary of the Commonwealth may be able to furnish.

2 Mr. Casas offered the following order which was passed.

Ordered. — That the Secretary be instructed to prepare a code of the general laws of Massachusetts relating to Parks.

The following rules submitted by the Secretary were on motion of Mr. [illegible] approved and ordered adopted.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Metropolitan Park Commission
Blue Hill Reservation.

Rules.

1.– Fires shall not be lighted for any cause.
2. No firearms or other destructive weapons allowed in the Reservation.
3.– Cutting of trees or shrubs is strictly forbidden.
4.– In entering or leaving the Reservation the public will use the designated places of entrance and not trespass upon private grounds.

Violation of any of the above rules will be punished by fine.

Acts of 1893 Chapter 407, Sect 4

The Secretary was instructed to submit the following estimates to the Auditor of the Commonwealth for the ensuing year.

For salaries	$2000.
" rent	[illegible]
" travelling expenses	1500.
" stationery	300.
" contingent expenses	500.
Total	$[illegible]

The above under sections 1 and 2, Chapter 407 Acts of 1893. Laws Section 4.

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Draft of Annual report submitted and referred.

C. Reports.

Chapter 407 Acts of 1893, for care and maintenance of reservations — $20000.

The draft of the annual report was submitted and was by vote referred to the Chairman of the Board to be by him edited and corrected.

Adjourned at 4.10 P.M. to meet on Friday, December 15, at 1.30 P.M.

A. L. Bennett Secretary

16th
Dec. 15, 1893.

Report of the eighteenth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the office of the Commission, rooms 11 and 12 Ames Building, Boston at 1.30 P.M. Friday, December 15, 1893.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase, Curtis, W. L. Chase and Richards.

The records of the preceding were read and accepted.

Reports of Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot submitted and placed on file.

Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot submitted

2 reports, which were ordered placed on file, and plans descriptive of the Blue Hills, Middlesex Fells, Muddy Pond and Revere Beach reservations. The Blue Hills plans being in four sheets, the Middlesex Fells in two sheets, Muddy Pond in one sheet and the Revere Beach in one sheet.

Mr. W. L. Chase appointed by the Chairman as the chairman of the sub committee on the Muddy Pond Woods, vice J. J. Roche resigned.

Mr. W. L. Chase was by the Chairman appointed chairman of the sub committee on the Muddy

C. Committees. 3 Pond Woods, vice James Jeffrey Roche resigned.

4 A general discussion took place as to

C. Acquirement. the boundaries of the several reservations in which all of the members participated but upon which no definite action was taken.

Adjourned at 2.30 P.M. to meet on Friday December 22 at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Carruth
Secretary.

17th
Dec. 22, 1893.

Report of the seventeenth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111 and 112 Ames Building, Boston, at 1.30 P.M. Friday, December 22, 1893.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

The Secretary submitted the following letter:–

M. McNulty.

Letter from Martin McNulty.

December 15, 1893.

Mr. H. S. Carruth, Secretary,
Metropolitan Park Commission,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Sir:–

I hereby offer to accept the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000.) for the land lately owned by me or for which I hold a bond, which land was taken by your Commission under date of November 3, 1893, containing 4.42 acres and shown on plan of the Metropolitan Park Commissioners number 1, provided, that I may remain in house erected by me on said land until May 1, 1894, and that I shall have the privilege of taking free of cost the stone wall which separates my late estate from that taken by your Commission from the Ward Heirs on November 3, 1893, said wall to be taken without expense to your Commission on or before May 1, 1894.

(Signed) Martin McNulty.

Acceptance of offer of Martin McNulty

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On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Martin McNulty that this Board accepts the offer contained in his letter of December 15, 1893, addressed to the Secretary.

Secretary authorized to sell cord wood

1 On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was authorized to sell any and all cord wood from the reservations of this Commission at such prices as he shall deem expedient.

Chairman to prepare annual report.

C. Report, Annual

On motion of Mr. Richards it was ordered

2 that the Chairman prepare the report of the Commission to be submitted to the Legislature.

Visit of Board to Blue Hills. 3

On motion of Mr. Richards it was voted

C. Trips of Board

that the Board visit the easterly end of the proposed Blue Hills Reservation on Wednesday next and that the Secretary make the necessary arrangements.

Report of sub-committee on Revere Beach. 4

C. R.B.R.

Mr. P. A. Chase, Chairman of the sub-committee upon the Revere Beach, made a partial report which was accepted.

Report of sub-committee on Middlesex Fells.

C. M.F.R. 5

Mr. Chase, Chairman of the sub-committee on the Middlesex Fells, made a partial report stating that the preliminary work of surveying was practically accomplished and that the committee was now ready to prepare plans for the definite taking of this reservation.

Sub-committee on Middlesex Fells to prepare papers for taking [illegible]

On motion of Mr. Richards it was ordered that the sub-committee on the Middlesex Fells prepare papers and plans for the taking and submit the same to a future meeting.

Adjourned at 3.50 to meet on Friday December 29, at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Carruth

Secretary.

18th
Dec. 29, 1893.

Report of the eighteenth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111 and 112 Ames Building, Boston, at [illegible].30 P. M., Friday, December 29th, 1893.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

1. Cutting of Trees &c.
Secretary to take steps to prevent cutting of in lands proposed to be taken.

Mr. Richards offered the following order which was passed;

Ordered:-- That the Secretary is authorized to take such steps as he deems expedient to prevent the cutting of trees upon any land the taking of which is contemplated by this Commission..

2. Takings, B.H.R.
Taking No. 6.

On motion of Mr. Chase the Eastern Section of the Blue Hill Taking was passed-

Taking of Eastern Section of Blue Hills Reservation.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners

December 29, 1893.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands, and rights in lands hereinafter described for the purposes, and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation with the proper local board, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants

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thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, the parcels of land and rights in land hereinafter particularly described, lying in the city of Quincy, in the county of Norfolk, in said Commonwealth, according to plan marked "Blue Hills Reservation, Eastern Section, boundary of lands taken, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, Brookline, Mass., December 21, 1893," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 6, which plan was made by H. T. Whitman, Quincy, Mass., the original of which is to be recorded herewith, and the duplicate of which is to remain on file in the official archives of said Board, to wit: Beginning at a hemlock tree marking the town bound, so called, in the division line between said City of Quincy and the town of Braintree in said county of Norfolk, at point marked "N" on said plan, which point is also shown and marked "N" on Plan No. 5 of said Metropolitan Park Commission; thence running north-easterly along the town line between said Quincy and said Braintree five thousand thirty-eight feet to stone bound in the westerly side line of Purgatory Road, so called; thence running northerly and north-easterly along said side line of said road fifteen hundred fifty-one feet to stone bound at the intersection of said side line with the westerly side line of Willard Street, so called, in said Quincy; thence running northerly along said westerly side line of said Willard Street twenty-two hundred eighty-seven feet to stone bound in the division line between land of E. V. Trask and land of the Adams Temple and School Fund; thence running westerly through the centre of stone wall on said division line four hundred seventy-six and five-tenths feet; thence running northerly and bounding easterly on lands of said Trask and of others, as the wall stands, seven hundred sixty-six and five-tenths feet to a drill hole in a large boulder; thence running westerly along the northerly boundary line of said Adams Temple and School Fund lands eight hundred eight and six-tenths feet to point at inter-

section of centre lines of two stone walls; thence running northerly seventeen feet to centre of pile of stones at corner of the "Six Hundred Acre Lot," so called; thence running north-westerly and bounding north-easterly on lands now or formerly of E. V. Trask, of Granite Railway Company, and of Quincy Quarry Company, as marked by stone heaps and stone bounds, twelve hundred eighty-six and eight-tenths feet to stone bound at corner of lands now or formerly of B. T. Rogers; thence running westerly along said Rogers' land, as marked by stone heaps, sixteen hundred ten feet to drill-mark on the south side of a large boulder; thence N. 74° 45' W. thirty-two hundred ninety-eight and five-tenths feet to stone bound at point marked "K" on said plan; thence running south-west, by a curved line with a radius of nine hundred three and six-tenths feet, nine hundred ninety-one and forty-six one-hundredths feet to stone bound at point marked "J" on said plan; thence S. 42° 23' W. one hundred sixty-two and eighty-seven one-hundredths feet to stone bound at point marked "L" on said plan, said point being in the westerly boundary line of the "Quincy Lot," so called, now owned by Quincy Quarry Company and believed to be in the dividing line between said Quincy and said Milton; thence running southerly, following the property lines as marked by stone heaps, in nearly a straight line about thirty-one hundred eighty-eight and seven-tenths feet to stone bound at point marked "M" on said plan, at a corner marking the boundary between said Quincy and said Milton; thence nearly southerly in a straight line fifty-four hundred eighty-one feet to the hemlock tree first mentioned, the place of beginning.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel, or part thereof, included within the foregoing descriptions, or howsoever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less

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Taking No. 5

Taking of East Middle section of Blue Hills Reservation

On motion of Mr. Richards the East Middle Section of the Blue Hills Taking was passed.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners.

December 29, 1893.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in lands hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation with the proper local boards, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, the parcels of land and rights in land hereinafter particularly described, lying in the town of Milton and in the city of Quincy, in the county of Norfolk, in said Commonwealth, according to a plan marked "Blue Hills Reservation, East Middle Section, boundary of lands taken, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, 21 December, 1893," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 5, which plan was made by Charles E. C. Breck, civil engineer and surveyor, and is dated December, 1893, the original of which is to be recorded herewith, and the duplicate of which is to remain on file in the official archives of said Board, to wit: Beginning at a point marked "A" on said plan, which point is formed by the intersection of the easterly side line of

Randolph Avenue, so called, with the centre line or thread of Blue Hill River, so called, said centre line or thread being also the division line between said city of Quincy and the town of Randolph in said county of Norfolk; thence running north-westerly and north-easterly by said side line of said avenue by various courses sixty-five hundred thirty feet to stone bound at point marked "B" on said plan, which point is formed by the intersection of the town line between said Milton and said Quincy and said easterly side line of said Randolph Avenue; thence continuing north-easterly by said side line of said avenue five hundred fifty feet to stone bound at point marked "C" on said plan, which point is in said side line of said avenue; thence turning at an acute angle and running south-easterly and easterly, by a curved line with a radius of one hundred fifty feet, one hundred eighty-seven and nineteen one-hundredths feet to a stone bound at point marked "D" on said plan; thence continuing easterly, by another curved line with a radius of six hundred thirty feet, three hundred three and eighty-three one-hundredths feet to stone bound at point marked "E" on said plan; thence running N. 53° 50' E. seven hundred ninety-three feet to stone bound at point marked "F" on said plan; thence more north-easterly, by a curved line with a radius of thirteen hundred ninety-five feet, three hundred ninety-seven and sixty-six one-hundredths feet to stone bound at point marked "G" on said plan; thence N. 37° 30' E. seven hundred seventy-two feet to stone bound at point marked "H" on said plan, in lands of estate of C. C. Copeland; thence more easterly, by a curved line with a radius of seven hundred sixty feet, three hundred ninety-one and twenty-nine one-hundredths feet to stone bound at point marked "I" on said plan, in land of L. S. Conant; thence N. 67° E. thirteen hundred ninety-six feet to stone bound at point marked "J" on said plan, in lands of estate of David G. Tucker; thence more northerly, by a curved line with a radius

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of six hundred nine feet, three hundred eighty-six and fifty-three one-hundredths feet to stone bound at point marked "K" on said plan, in land of Edwin D. Wadsworth; thence N. 30° 38' E. sixteen hundred fifty feet to stone bound at point marked "L" on said plan, which point is in the town line between said Milton and said Quincy; thence turning at an acute angle and running nearly southerly, partly by said town line between said Milton and said Quincy and partly by the boundary line of land now or late of Theodore T. Whitney, where the same lies in said Quincy, about thirty-one hundred eighty-eight and seven-tenths feet, crossing a brook, to stone bound at point marked "M" on said plan, which point is formed by the intersection of two town lines between said Milton and said Quincy, which run substantially at right angles to each other; thence continuing in the course of said town line extended southerly, through lands lying in said Quincy, fifty-four hundred eighty-one feet to town bound at point marked "N" in said plan, formed by the intersection of two town lines between said Quincy and the town of Braintree in said county of Norfolk; thence turning and running south-westerly by the town line between said Quincy and said Braintree thirty-two hundred twenty-seven feet to point marked "O" on said plan, which point is formed by the intersection of said town line with the centre line or thread of said Blue Hill River, which point marked "O" is also a short distance northerly from West street, so called, in said Braintree; thence turning and running westerly up said Blue Hill River, at all points by the centre line or thread thereof, twelve hundred sixty-five feet to point marked "P" on said plan, which point is formed by the intersection of said centre line or thread with a town line between said Braintree and said Randolph; thence continuing in a general

westerly direction up said Stow Hill River, at all points by the centre line or thread thereof, forty-seven hundred sixty-five feet to said point "A", the place of beginning.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel, or part thereof, included within the foregoing descriptions, or howsoever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

The Chairman submitted a draft of the report of the Commission to the Legislature, which was approved.

The Secretary submitted the name of Stony Brook Reservation as the name to be applied to the proposed area now known as the Muddy Pond Woods and which is proposed to be taken as one of the Reservations under this Board. The name was adopted.

Adjourned at 3.45 to meet on Friday, January 5, 1894, at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Carruth
Secretary.

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Report of the nineteenth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111 and 112 Ames Building, Boston, January 5th, 1894, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, Messrs P. A. Chase, Cesar, Richards and W. L. Chase.

On motion of Mr. Cesar, Mr. P. A. Chase was elected temporary chairman.

The records of the preceding meeting were

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read and accepted.

On motion of Mr. Evans the West Middle Section of the Blue Hills Reservation Taking was passed.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners,

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Taking of West Middle Section of Blue Hills Reservation. [illegible] Taking. [illegible]

Taking No. 4.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in lands hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation with the proper local boards, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, the parcels of land and rights in land hereinafter particularly described, lying in the town of Milton and in the City of Quincy, in the county of Norfolk, in said Commonwealth, according to a plan marked "Blue Hills Reservation, West Middle Section, boundary of lands to be taken, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, 20 December, 1893," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners Plan No. 4, which plan was made by Charles E. C. Breck, civil engineer

and surveyor, and is dated December, 1893, reference to which is hereby expressly made; the original of which is to be recorded herewith, and the duplicate of which is to remain on file in the official archives of said Board, to wit: Beginning at stone bound in the south-easterly side line of Hillside Street, so called, in said Milton, at a point marked "A", on said plan, which point is opposite or nearly opposite the south-easterly corner of the Blue Hills Reservation, Western Section, heretofore taken by said Metropolitan Park Commission, by an instrument duly recorded with Norfolk Deeds, reference being hereby made thereto, and to plan recorded therewith; thence running S. 28° 10' E. three hundred eighty-five and ninety-five one-hundredths feet to stone bound at point marked "B" on said plan, in the division line between lands of Pope and Turner on the west and of Thomas G. Hunt on the east; thence southeasterly and easterly by a curved line with a radius of 591.53 feet eight hundred thirty-one and sixty-eight one-hundredths feet to stone bound at point marked "C" on said plan, in the division line between said lands of Hunt and lands of Gleason estate, so called; thence by the same curve easterly fifty-four and forty-seven one-hundredths feet to stone bound at point marked "D" on said plan; thence by straight line N. 66° E. six hundred fifty feet to stone bound at point marked "E" on said plan; thence by a curved line with a radius of 1,244.50 feet two hundred forty-seven feet to stone bound at point marked "F" on said plan, in the division line between said lands of Gleason estate and lands of Peter McIntyre; thence by the same curve five hundred sixty-seven and fifty-nine one-hundredths feet to stone bound at point marked "G" on said plan, in division line between said lands of McIntyre and lands of heirs of D. C. Clark; thence by the same curve three hundred sixty-seven feet to

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stone bound, at point marked "H" on said plan, which point is formed by the intersection of said curved line with the town line between said Milton and said Quincy, and is also supposed to lie in the westerly side line of Forest Street, so called; thence running south-easterly, southerly and south-easterly again by various courses by said side line of said Forest Street in said Quincy thirty-six hundred forty-two feet to stone bound at the intersection of said side line of said street with the westerly side line of Randolph Avenue, at point marked "I" on said plan; thence running southerly by said side line of said Randolph Avenue in said Quincy twenty-three hundred eighty feet to stone bound at the intersection of said side line with the north-westerly side line of town road called Taunton road, at point marked "J" on said plan; thence south-westerly by said side line of said Taunton road, four hundred twenty-five feet to a point formed by the intersection of said side line with the middle line or thread of Blue Hill River, so called, which point is marked "K" on said plan; thence running up said Blue Hill River by various courses, in a general westerly direction, at all points by the centre line or thread thereof, forty-nine hundred five feet to a point formed by the intersection of said centre line or thread with the town line between said Milton and said Quincy, at point marked "L" on said plan; thence continuing by said centre line or thread of said Blue Hill River north-westerly, south-westerly and north-westerly again thirty-seven hundred sixty-five feet to a point formed by the intersection of said centre line or thread with the division line between lands of Henry L. Pierce on the east and Reynolds on the west, which point is marked "M" on said plan; thence running

north-westerly more northerly by said division line thirty-one hundred fourteen feet to stone bound in the southerly side line of said Hillside Street in said Milton, at a point marked "N" on said plan; thence turning and running easterly, south-easterly, north-easterly and easterly by the southerly side line of said Hillside Street, in said Milton by various courses sixty-four hundred ninety feet to the point of beginning.

Also another tract of land lying in said Quincy, bounded and described as follows, according to said plan, namely: Beginning at a point on the easterly side line of said Forest Street, at stone bound at the intersection of said side line with the town line between said Milton and said Quincy first above-mentioned, which point is marked "O" on said plan; thence running easterly by said town line sixteen hundred eighteen feet to stone bound at a point marked "P" on said plan, which point is formed by the intersection of said town line with the westerly side line of Randolph Avenue in said Quincy; thence running nearly southerly by said side line of said Randolph Avenue thirty-seven hundred twenty feet to stone bound, at a point marked "Q" on said plan, which point is formed by the intersection of said side line of said avenue with the easterly side line of said Forest Street; thence turning at an acute angle and running north-westerly, north-easterly and north-westerly again by various courses by said side line of said Forest Street thirty-six hundred feet to the point of beginning.

Also a third tract lying in said Quincy, shown on said plan, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at stone bound at a point marked "R", on said plan, formed by the intersection of the westerly side line of Randolph

Avenue, so called, with the easterly side line of a town road called Taunton road; thence running southerly or south-easterly by said side line of said Randolph Avenue two hundred ninety feet to a point marked "S" on said plan, formed by the intersection of said side line of said avenue with the centre line or thread of Blue Hill River, so called, shown upon said plan; thence running westerly by the centre line or thread of said river one hundred sixty-three feet to a point marked "T" on said plan, formed by the intersection of said centre line or thread with the easterly side line of said Taunton road; thence turning and running northerly by said side line of said Taunton road three hundred five feet to the point of beginning.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof included within the foregoing descriptions, or howsoever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Landscape Architects to submit plans for entrances to Blue Hill Reservation.

C Entrances B.H.R.

1 On motion of Mr. Richards the Landscape Architects were requested to submit plans for the entrances to the Blue Hills Reservation.

2 On motion of Mr. Lucas the signs submitted by the Secretary from sketches made by the landscape architects were accepted and the Secretary was authorized to prepare seventy-five signs for use in the various reservations.

C Signs

Report of Landscape Architects on the boundaries of the Reservations.

The Landscape Architects submitted a

3 report on the principles which have guided

C Acquirement

them in suggesting boundaries for the proposed reservations. The report was accepted and ordered to be printed as an appendix to

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Landscape Architects submit copies of ... letters sent by them to the Winthrop Park Commission.
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The Landscape Architects also submitted a copy of a letter and a plan transmitted by them, under a vote of the Board, to the Winthrop Park Commission. Ordered placed on file.

Report of Landscape Architects on condition of trees in Beaver Brook Reservation.
2. Trees B.B.R.

The Landscape Architects also submitted a report upon the condition of the trees in the Beaver Brook Reservation. Ordered placed on file.

3. [illegible]

The Landscape Architects also submitted a report upon the work which should be done in the woodland reservations. Ordered placed on file.

[illegible] Beaver Brook Reservation.
4. Signs B. Arbor.

The Secretary was instructed to confer with the Landscape Architects and prepare suitable signs giving the common and botanical names of the principal trees in the Beaver Brook Reservation and to affix the signs to said trees.

5. [illegible]

The Secretary was instructed to carry out the recommendations made by the Landscape Architects in their report upon the trees in the Beaver Brook Reservation.

Secretary to buy Dwinell's land in Winchester within Reservation [illegible]
6. Dwinell

The Secretary was authorized to make an agreement with Mr. Dwinell of Winchester for the sale of his land within the lines of the proposed reservation at the Middlesex Fells at a price not exceeding $100. per acre.

7. [illegible]

The Secretary was authorized to confer with the Attorney-General and the Treasurer in relation to the loan authorized by the Legislature, the proceeds of which is to be used for the purchase of land.

8. Landscape Architects [illegible]

On motion of Mr. Evans it was voted that the Landscape Architects be directed to prepare sketch maps of the Blue Hills, Middlesex Fells, Muddy Pond Woods and Beaver Brook Reservations, and to consult with the Secretary in regard to the publication thereof.

Adjourned at 3.23 P.M. to meet on Friday,

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January 12, at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Carruth

Secretary.

20th Jan. 12, 1894.

Report of the twentieth meeting of the Metropolitan Parks Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111 and 112 Ames Building, Boston, at 1.30 P.M. Friday, January 12, 1894.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary submits purchases of land in Blue Hills.

1\. The Secretary presented the following purchases of land made by him in the Blue Hills Reservation, subject to the approval of the Board, which purchases were, on motion of Mr. P. A. Chase, accepted by the Board.

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Mrs. E. M. Cary -- about 136 acres of land and buildings thereon -			$10,000.
Samuel Cook --	12 acres		600.
Olive I. Snow and others --	24 acres	at $40.	an acre.
J. Walter Bradlee " " --	42½ "	" 25.	" "
James H. Packard --	14½ " --		500.
Mary T. Bowley --	21 "	at $50.	an acre.
Theodore T. Whitney and others	16¾ "	" 50.	" "

Secretary submits statement of [illegible] Lawrence Rotch concerning Blue Hill Observatory.

2 The Secretary submitted a verbal statement made by Mr. A. Lawrence Rotch, and certain papers in connection with his land and the observatory upon the Great Blue Hill and on motion of Mr. W. L. Chase it was

v. Blue Hill Observatory

Papers in relation to Blue Hill Observatory referred to counsel.

Ordered:-- That the papers in relation to the Rotch Observatory and lands owned by A. Lawrence Rotch on the Great Blue Hill be referred to Messrs Balch and Rackemann to confer with the counsel of the parties in interest and

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report a form of enabling act for submission to the Legislature to carry out the results proposed in such papers. Passed.

1 Secretary submitted [illegible] from [illegible] Park Commission regarding Mystic Valley. Mystic Valley

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Winchester Board of Park Commissioners relative to the valley of the Mystic River, which was referred to the Chairman for investigation.

2 [illegible] Rackemann [appointed] police officer. Appointments Police, Special

On motion of Mr. Casas it was

Ordered:— That Wilfred Rackemann be appointed a policeman with all the powers authorized in the statute creating this Board and its hereto enabling. Passed.

3 Secretary to ask [illegible] towns to [illegible]. Appointments. Police, Local, Special.

Mr. Casas also offered the following order which was passed;

Ordered:— That the Secretary be authorized to ask the authorities of the towns of Milton, Canton and Braintree and the city of Quincy to appoint Mr. Rackemann a special police officer of their respective towns and city.

4 Badges for police. Uniforms and Equip. Badges, Police.

Mr. Casas also moved

That the Secretary be authorized to prepare and have made a suitable badge for the policemen appointed and to be appointed by this Board. Passed.

5 Penalties fixed for [breach] of the rules [illegible]. Rules.

Mr. Casas also moved

That this Board hereby fix the penalty for any breach of its regulations posted in its various reservations taken or to be taken at $20.00 for each breach thereof. Passed.

6 Secretary to prepare [plans] & papers for [illegible] Stony Brook [illegible]. Takings, S.B.R.

The Secretary was instructed to prepare plans for record and the necessary papers of taking for the Stony Brook Reservation and submit the same as soon as possible.

Adjourned at 3.10 P.M. to meet on Friday, January 19th at 1.30 P.M.

W. S. [illegible]
Secretary

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Report of the twenty-first meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111 and 112 Ames Building, Boston, at 1.30 P.M. Friday, January 19, 1894.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

1 Mr. P. A. Chase offered the following order, which was passed.

C. Messenger
Secretary authorized to employ a messenger

Ordered:- That the Secretary be authorized to employ a messenger at wages not exceeding four dollars ($4.00) per week, to date from December 19, 1893.

2 Mr. W. L. Chase offered the following order which was passed.

C. Cleaning, B.H.R.
Secretary authorized to employ not exceeding one hundred men in the Blue Hills Reservation

Ordered:-- That the Secretary is hereby authorized to employ not exceeding one hundred men in the Blue Hills Reservation. The said men are to be employed, under proper supervision, in cleaning up and burning refuse wood, and the schedule of men employed as respects the number and wages paid be reported weekly for approval of the Board.

C. [illegible] 3 The Secretary reported upon several purchases of land made by him during the preceding week in the Blue Hills Reservation.

Mr. [illegible] offered the following order which was passed.

Purchases of land made by the Secretary within the Blue Hills Reservation approved by the Board.

Ordered:-- That the following purchases of land, within the Blue Hills Reservation made by the Secretary are approved by this Board and ordered paid.

E. D. Wadsworth	7½ acres	at $40. per acre.
George T. Hunt	10. "	" 40. " "
" " "	18¼ "	" 50. " "
Dennis W. Mahoney	20 "	$1000.
H. F. Thayer	8⅓ "	at 50. " "
Joshua Hunt	105½ "	4500.

[illegible]

The following letter from Messrs. Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot was submitted and was referred to the Secretary to report at the next meeting.

Vegetation of Parks System

Honorable C. F. Adams, 7th January, 1896.

Chairman of the Metropolitan Park Commission,

Dear Sir:— Permit us to call the attention of the Board to the desirability of making a permanent record of the present condition of the metropolitan reservations.

Such a record may be easily made upon the sketch maps already ordered by your Board. Upon copies of these maps the present condition of the forest should be delineated for record. The present flora of the reservations should be listed. Photographs of typical parts of the woods and scenery should be obtained.

After the maps are provided, the cost of compiling the flora and mapping the forest might be five hundred dollars ($500.00). We should simply charge the Commission the cost to us of the time of our assistants.

As to photographs, we would suggest that we be permitted to make arrangements with several amateurs by which their expenses would be audited and paid by us, and then collected by us with our monthly bill of expenses.

Yours respectfully

(Signed) Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot.

Mr. [illegible] offered the following vote:

order was passed.

Secretary authorized to request Treasurer to negotiate loans authorized by Chapter 407 Acts 1893

Ordered: — That the Secretary be authorized to request the Treasurer of the Commonwealth to negotiate the loans authorized by Chapter 407, Section 9, of the Acts of 1893, and that he be further authorized to request the Treasurer to make a demand loan of $100,000. for the immediate use of this Commission. Said demand loan to be part of the loans authorized by said statute.

further authorized to request Treasurer to make a demand loan

On motion of Mr. [illegible] the following order was passed.

C. Charles River

Secretary to notify Charles River Commission of concurrence of this Board.

Ordered: — That the Secretary be instructed to carry to the Chairman of the Joint Commission on Charles River, the acquiescence of this Board in the propriety of asking the Legislature for further time in which to report, and in so doing he should state to the Chairman the sense of this Board that a strong local feeling exists as to the desirability of some definite action at an early day looking towards the solution of the problem involved in the matter submitted to the joint commission.

Sec. — to report an order for appointment of commission to assess proportion of expenses.

The Secretary was instructed to report such
2 an order as is necessary to secure the appointment

C. Apportionment

of a commission to assess the proportion of expense upon the cities and towns of the Metropolitan Park District, as provided in Sec. 10 of Chapter 407 of the Acts of 1893.

Adjourned at 2.50 P.M. to meet on Friday January 26 at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Carruth
Secretary.

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Report of the Twenty-second meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the office of the Commission, numbers 11 and 14 [illegible] Building, Boston, at 1.30 P.M., Friday, January 26, 1894.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs. P. A. Chase, A. S. Richards & W. B. de las Casas.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Counsel to prepare petition for the appointment of the Commissioners.

Apportionment

Mr. P. A. Chase offered the following order which was passed.

Ordered: That counsel to the Board be instructed to prepare, have signed, and file a petition under Section 10 of Chapter 407 of the Acts of the year 1893, to the Supreme Judicial Court in Equity, for the appointment of three Commissioners, who shall, in such manner as they shall deem just and equitable, determine the proportion in which each of the cities and towns within the District established by said Act shall annually pay money into the treasury of the Commonwealth, for the term of five years next following the year of the first issue of the scrip or certificates provided for in said Act, to meet the interest and sinking fund requirements for each of said years, as estimated by the Treasurer of the Commonwealth, and to meet the expenses of preservation and necessary care of the public reservations authorized by said Act as estimated by said Board and certified to said Treasurer, and any deficiency in the amount previously paid in as found by said Treasurer, and shall return their award into said court, — all in accordance with the provisions of said chapter.

Public Legislation

Mr. Richards offered the following order which was passed.

Ordered — That the Committee on Legislative Affairs be instructed to report what, if any, further legislation may be necessary or advisable

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to enable the Metropolitan Park Commission to obtain or exercise control over or to acquire public or quasi public locations within proposed reservations, or to permit the use by others of land acquired for such reservations.

1 Mr. [illegible] offered the following order which was passed.

Purchases of land in the Blue Hills Reservation made by the Secretary approved by the Board

c. Names.

Ordered:- That the following purchases of land within the Blue Hills Reservation, made by the Secretary, are approved by this Board and ordered paid.

2	J. Warren Nightingale	11 acres	$30. per acre.
3	Jeremiah Nightingale	2 acres	30. " "
		4 "	30. " "
		7 "	45. " "
		3 "	30. " "
		11 1/2 "	35. " "
		29 1/2	
4	Adams [illegible] Estate Trust	170 acres	40. " "
		12 "	25. " "
		22 "	35. " "
		4.4 "	20. " "
		46 "	30. " "
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5	Josiah S. Hardwick	3 "	35. " "
6	Henry H. Faxon & others	11/2 "	1200.
7	John A. Tucker	110 "	34. " "
		72 "	42. "
		67 "	32. "
		63 "	33. " "
		16 "	30. " "
8	Horace B. Spear & others	4 1/2 "	35 " "

c. Flora
c. Forest Survey
c. Photographs

9 Mr. Richards offered the following order which was passed.

Landscape Architects authorized to incur an expense of not exceeding 500. for preparing a [illegible]

Ordered:- That the Landscape Architects be authorized to incur an expense of not ex-

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[illegible] five hundred dollars ($500.00) for preparing a botanical flora of the reservations, for making a forestry survey thereof, and in obtaining photographs from amateurs.

Adjourned at 2.35 to meet on Friday, February 2, at 1.30 P.M.

N. S. Carruth Secretary

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Report of the twenty-third meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111 and 112 Ames Building, Boston, at 1.30 P.M. Friday, February 2nd, 1894.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

[...]ence of members [...] Commission before [...] Committee on [...] General Court. 1 Finance Committee

The Secretary submitted a letter from the Auditor of the Commonwealth requesting the presence of the members of the Commission before the Committee on Finance on Monday, the 5th day of February, at 11 A.M.

2 Takings. M. F. R. Taking No. 7

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the following takings of the Middlesex Fells were passed ~

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners
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[...] of Each Section [...] Middlesex Fells Reservation

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in lands hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act.

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Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation with the proper local Boards, being the Boards of Park Commissioners of the cities and town hereinafter named, respectively, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, the parcels of land and rights in land hereinafter particularly described, lying in the towns of Stoneham and Melrose and the cities of Malden and Medford, all in the county of Middlesex, and said Commonwealth, according to and shown upon a plan marked "Middlesex Fells Reservation, East Section, Boundary of Lands to be taken, Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot, landscape architects. Plan made by Albert F. Sargent, civil engineer and surveyor, January, 1894," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 7, the original of which is to be filed and recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is to remain on file in the official archives of said Board, to wit:—

The first of said parcels, lying partly in said Stoneham, partly in said Melrose, partly in said Malden and partly in said Medford, is bounded: beginning on the division line between the city of Malden and the town of Melrose, where said line intersects the westerly side line of Elliott Street; thence running generally north-easterly on the north-westerly side line of Elliott Street three hundred two and sixty-four one-hundredths feet to a stake in the side line of said street; thence N. 46° 10' W. sixty-four and fifty-six one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence N. 34° 35' E. one hundred thirty-six and seventy-eight one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence N. 29° 37' E. five hundred seventy-seven and seventeen one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence N.

48' W. three hundred forty-nine and seventy-three one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence S. 69° 26' W. two hundred thirty-nine and nine one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence S. 20° 36' E. by a line running across the north-westerly end of a strip of land shown on said plan as Goodyear Street, and coinciding with the north-westerly line of lot shown on said plan as "School-house Lot," four hundred two and fifty-seven one-hundredths feet to the south-westerly side line of Washington Street, so called; thence running north-westerly, north-easterly and northerly by various courses on the westerly and north-westerly side line of said Washington Street sixteen hundred sixty-five feet more or less to a stake; thence N. 46° 12' W. eleven hundred sixty-five and thirty-eight one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence N. 33° 30' E. four hundred seventy-six and ninety-five one-hundredths feet to a stake in the south-westerly side line of said Washington Street; thence north-westerly, more northerly, north-westerly again and more westerly by the side line of said Washington Street and by the southerly side line of Ravine Road, so called, on several courses twenty-two hundred thirty-five feet more or less across a strip of land shown on said plan as "Proposed Street" leading to Melrose Reservoir; thence running south-westerly on the north-westerly line of said proposed street, bounded north-westerly by the parcel secondly herein described, one hundred seventy-six and twenty-three one-hundredths feet, and thence by the same course nine hundred fifty-nine and two one-hundredths feet, to the line of said Melrose Reservoir lot; thence south-easterly on said Melrose Reservoir lot, running about sixty feet to the easterly corner thereof; thence south-westerly on the same two hundred seventy-five feet; thence north-westerly on the same two hundred seventy-five feet; thence running north-easterly on the line of said Melrose Reservoir lot about two hundred eight feet to a stone wall; thence N. 68° 30' W. on said stone wall, as the same now stands, four hundred five and seventy one-hundredths feet to a corner in the

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same; thence S. 13° 44' W. by a stone wall three hundred thirteen and thirty-five one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence N. 55° 31' W. by a straight line, which is the continuation of a stone wall running to the south-easterly side line of Woodland Road, and by said stone wall, nine hundred sixty-one and twenty-five one hundredths feet to said south-easterly side line of Woodland Road, so called, in said Stoneham; thence running in a generally south-westerly direction by the south-easterly and easterly side line of Woodland Road, so called, across the line dividing the city of Medford from the town of Stoneham, thirty-three hundred fifty feet more or less to a stake in said road, standing near the junction of said Woodland Road with Elm Street, Fulton Street and Highland Avenue; thence running S. 30° 45' E. by the north-easterly side line of Highland Avenue in said Medford, as shown on said plan, ten hundred sixty-five and nine-tenths feet to a stake; thence running northerly and north-easterly, curving to the right, on a curved line with a radius of one hundred and twenty feet, two hundred seventy-one and twenty-two one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running S. 81° 15' E. three hundred twenty-one and twenty-one one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, by a curved line, with a radius of twelve hundred thirty feet, one hundred ninety-seven and fourteen one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running N. 89° 34' E. ninety-three and four one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running easterly and south-easterly, curving to the right, by a curved line with a radius of three hundred and thirty feet, two hundred thirty-two and eighty-eight one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running S. 50° E. eighty-seven and eighty-eight one hundredths feet to a stake; thence curving to the right, by a curved line with a radius of four hundred ten feet, one hundred eighty-seven and eighty-four one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running S. 23° 45' E. fifty-eight and sixty-five one-

hundredths feet to a stake; thence running south-easterly and more easterly, curving to the left, by a curved line with a radius of five hundred feet, one hundred seventy-six and twenty one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running S. 40° 28′ E. four hundred seventy and seventy-nine one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running S. 45° 18′ E. one hundred seventy-nine and thirty-one one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence curving to the right, by a curved line with a radius of two hundred twenty feet, one hundred eighty-nine and fifty-two one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running S. 4° 3½′ W. one hundred nineteen and sixty-six one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running southerly and more easterly, curving to the left, by a curved line with a radius of two hundred twenty feet, two hundred thirty-five and seventy-six one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running S. 57° 21′ E. sixty-nine and forty-three one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, by a curved line with a radius of two hundred ninety feet, one hundred ninety-two and fifty one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running N. 84° 37′ E. one hundred sixty-two and seventeen one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence curving to the right, by a curved line with a radius of two hundred thirty feet, one hundred eighty-five and twenty-six one-hundredths feet; thence running S. 49° 14′ E. one hundred fifty-two and two one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running S. 53° 39′ E. three hundred eleven and five one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running S. 61° 38′ E. four hundred sixty-two and twenty-four one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running S. 57° 53′ E. four hundred sixty and fifty-four one-hundredths feet to the westerly side line of Summer Street, so called, as shown on said plan; thence running about northerly on said westerly side line fifty-four and six-tenths feet to a stake; thence running N. 57° 53′ W. four hundred forty and twenty-five one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running N. 61° 38′ W. three

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hundred thirty-seven and sixteen one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence turning and running N. 16° 40' E. three hundred and ninety-nine one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running N. 30° 7' E. one hundred forty-two and nine one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence turning and running S. 82° 11' E. nine hundred eighty-six and eighty-eight one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence turning and running N. 42° 20' E. one hundred three and eighty-three one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running N. 61° 20' E. sixty feet to a stake; thence running N. 48° 20' E. two hundred sixteen and twenty-three one-hundredths feet to the line dividing the city of Malden from the town of Melrose; thence on said division line S. 85° 34' E. one hundred seventy and nine-tenths feet to the point of beginning.

The second parcel, lying wholly in said town of Stoneham, is bounded; beginning at the point of intersection of the easterly side line of Woodland Road, so called, in the town of Stoneham, with the southerly side line of Ravine Road, so called, and running thence on the southerly, westerly and south-westerly side lines of said Ravine Road by several courses sixteen hundred sixty-eight feet more or less to the north-westerly side line of a strip of land shown on said plan as "Proposed Street" leading to Melrose Reservoir; thence south-westerly by the said side line of said proposed street, bounded south-easterly by the parcel firstly herein described, one hundred seventy-six and twenty-three one-hundredths feet to a stone wall; thence on said stone wall N. 71° 2' W. one hundred fifty feet; continuing on the same N. 63° 34' W. (by a course wrongly shown on said plan as N. 63° 34' E.) five hundred eighty-six and thirty-five one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence N. 6° 4' W. sixty-seven and thirty-five one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence N. 24° 34' W. one hundred twenty-five feet to a stake; thence

N. 77° 28' W. two hundred sixty-one feet to a stake; thence N. 4° 17' E. two hundred one feet to a stake; thence N. 66° 14' W. two hundred five and ninety-three one-hundredths feet to the easterly side line of said Woodland Road; and thence about northerly on said easterly side line of said Woodland Road about two hundred eighteen feet to the point of beginning.

The third of said parcels, lying wholly in said Stoneham, is bounded; beginning at the point of intersection of the northerly side line of Ravine Road with the south-easterly side line of Woodland Road, in the town of Stoneham, and running thence a little south of easterly and south-easterly and more easterly on the northerly and north-easterly side line of said Ravine Road, to the intersection of the side line of Ravine Road with the southerly side line of Pond Street, so called; thence north-westerly and north-easterly and again north-westerly, on the south-westerly, north-westerly and again south-westerly side lines of Pond Street, so called, on various courses, about eleven hundred twenty feet and sixteen hundred fifty feet to the corner of Pond Street and Woodland Road, so called; thence south-westerly, southerly and again south-westerly, on the south-easterly, easterly and south-easterly side lines of Woodland Road, so called, to the point of beginning, excepting, however, from this last parcel and description, so much land, if any, therein included as may belong to the town of Stoneham or other public body as a school-house lot, at or near the corner of said Woodland Road and Pond Street, and also so much of said land, if any, and such rights, easements or privileges, as may not be lawfully taken by said Metropolitan Park Commission because belonging to the Trustees of Public Reservations, being substantially the parcel marked "Virginia Woods" on said plan.

The fourth of said parcels, lying partly in the town of Stoneham and partly in the town of

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Melrose, is bounded; north-easterly by Wyoming Avenue, there measuring about eleven hundred feet; north-westerly by Pond Street, so called, there measuring about six hundred ninety-five feet; south-westerly by the same and by Ravine Road, about four hundred seventy-five feet; and south-easterly by Ravine Road, so called, there measuring about eight hundred fifteen feet, all said street boundaries being side lines:

The fifth of said parcels, lying partly in the town of Stoneham and partly in the town of Melrose, is bounded; beginning at the point of intersection of the south-easterly side line of Ravine Road, so called, with the north-easterly side line of Washington Street, so called, and running thence south-easterly on said north-easterly side line of Washington Street about eleven hundred thirty-five feet to a stake; thence running N. 6° 35′ E. three hundred ninety and one-tenth feet to a stake; thence running N. 55′ E. seven hundred thirty-five feet to a stake standing in the south-easterly side line of said Ravine Road; and thence running westerly and south-westerly by the south-easterly side line of said Ravine Road seven hundred seventy-five feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

The sixth of said parcels, lying wholly in the town of Stoneham, is bounded; beginning at the intersection of the line dividing the towns of Stoneham and Melrose with the north-easterly side line of Wyoming Avenue, and running thence on said division line between said towns N. 19° 50′ E. twenty-three hundred ten and seven-tenths feet to a stone monument; ~~thence N. 29° 51½′ E. twenty-three hundred ten and seven-tenths feet to a stone monument;~~ thence N. 29° 51½′ W. one hundred forty-five and thirty-five one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence more westerly, curving to the left, by a curved line with a radius of seven hundred sixty-seven and seventy-seven one-hundredths

feet, one hundred ninety-eight and eighty-seven one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence S. [illegible] W. three hundred ninety-five feet to a stake; thence curving to the right, by a curved line with a radius of three hundred seventy-two and two one-hundredths feet, one hundred ninety-five and thirty-seven one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence S. 14°56' W. eighty-seven and twelve one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, by a curved line with a radius of two hundred eighty-three and ninety-six one-hundredths feet, one hundred ninety-two and twenty-nine one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence S. 53°24' W. one hundred fifty-three and ninety-two one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence curving to the right, by a curved line with a radius of seven hundred and thirty feet, two hundred eighty-eight and thirty-seven one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence S. 35°16' W. two hundred eighty and ninety-two one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, by a curved line with a radius of nine hundred ten and eighty-eight one-hundredths feet, six hundred fifty-two and eighty-seven one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence S. 26°33' W. seven hundred eighty-seven and sixty one-hundredths feet to a stake on land of Water Reservation; thence S. 86°35' W. four hundred nine feet to a stake; thence S. 19°20' W. one hundred ninety-two feet to a stake; thence nearly westerly, bounded northerly by said land marked "Water Reservation," three hundred seventy-six feet to a stake; thence south-westerly on same land seven hundred ninety-three and five-tenths feet to a stake; thence S. [illegible] W. on the same, and on land now or late of [illegible], two hundred seventy-five and sixty one-hundredths feet to the north-easterly side line of Pond Street, so called; thence south-easterly, southerly, south-westerly by the side line of said Pond Street about eight hundred sixty feet to land of the cities of Malden and Medford and the town of Melrose marked on said plan "Water Reservation"; thence north-easterly and easterly by same by four lines as shown on said

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of an, in all five hundred fifty-one and thirty-two one-hundredths feet; thence southerly by the same one hundred eighty-one and fifty-one one-hundredths feet; thence easterly by the same seventy-four and thirty one-hundredths feet; thence southerly by the same, being that part thereof formerly of Trustees and heirs of William Foster, by two lines six hundred sixty-seven and fifty one-hundredths feet, and two hundred seventy-two and forty one-hundredths feet, respectively to said Pond Street; again south-easterly, following and continuing on the north-easterly side line of said Pond Street, on various courses about twenty-nine hundred forty-five feet to the point of beginning; excepting, however, from the parcel last hereinabove described, such lands and rights, if any, as said Metropolitan Park Commission have no lawful authority hereby to take, by reason of any limitations or provisions of said Act, or by reason of the previous taking thereof by, or title thereto or rights therein being in, other public body or bodies for water supply purposes.

Intending to take and hereby taking, subject to such rights as this Board cannot take as above specifically stated, each and every tract, estate or parcel, or part thereof, included within the foregoing descriptions, whether as above or howsoever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

C. F. Lakings?
H. F. P. Reg.
Taking of Land in Lynn ... Middlesex Fells Reservation

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners,
February 2, 1894.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a

Metropolitan Parks Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in lands hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power of authority or trusts in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation with the proper local board, being the board of park commissioners of the town of Stoneham here-inafter mentioned, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, the parcels of land and rights in land hereinafter particularly described, lying in the town of Stoneham, in the County of Middlesex, in said Common-wealth, according to a plan marked "Middlesex Fells Reservation, Spot Pond Section, boundary of lands to be taken, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, landscape architects, January, 1894," survey and plan made by Hodges and Harrington, civil engineers, January, 1894, being Metro-politan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 8, the original of which is to be filed and recorded herewith, and the duplicate of which is to remain on file in the official archives of said Board, to wit; three certain parcels of land in Stoneham, county of Middlesex, in said Commonwealth,

The first of said parcels is bounded as follows, namely: beginning at a point on the southerly side line of South Street, so called, nearly opposite the in-tersection of said South Street with Pond Street, at lands shown on said plan as "Spot Pond Water Works Reservation"; thence running south-easterly by said Water Works Reservation; thence more easterly by the

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same; and thence again nearly east by the same to said Pond Street; thence northerly, north-westerly and westerly by the westerly, south-westerly and southerly side line of said Pond Street seventeen hundred nineteen feet to the point of beginning:

The second of said parcels is bounded and described as follows: beginning at a stone bound in the westerly side line of Woodland Road (called upon said plan Wyoming Road); thence running south-westerly, bounded north-westerly by lands of said Water Works Reservation, meaning that part thereof shown on said plan as "Malden Pumping Station"; thence southerly and south-westerly again by the same to a stone bound (the turning points being marked by stone bounds); and thence S. 39° 30′ E. three hundred feet to said side line of said Woodland Road; thence north-easterly and northerly by said side line of said road six hundred and ninety-six feet to the first-named stone bound, the point of beginning:

The third parcel is bounded and described as follows: beginning at the point formed by the intersection of the westerly side line of said Woodland Road with the northerly side line of Virginia Avenue, so called; thence running N. 72° W. two hundred forty-eight and six-tenths feet to lands of said Water Works Reservation, meaning that part thereof marked upon said plan "Melrose Pumping Station"; thence turning and running northerly and north-westerly by two lines, bounded westerly and south-westerly by said Water Works Reservation, to a fence; thence running S. 19° E. two hundred sixty-four feet to said side line of said Woodland Road; thence running south-easterly and southerly by said side line four hundred four feet to the point of beginning.

Intending to take and hereby taking each

and every tract, estate or parcel, or part thereof, included within the foregoing descriptions, or however otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Taking of West Section of Middlesex Fells Reservation.

Office of Metropolitan Park Commissioners.
February 2, 1894.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in lands hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority ~~conferred~~ us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation with the proper local boards, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, the parcels of land and rights in land hereinafter particularly described, lying in the city of Medford and the towns of Stoneham and Winchester, all in the county of Middlesex in said Commonwealth, according to a plan marked "Middlesex Fells Reservation, West Section, boundary of lands to be taken, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, landscape architects, January, 1894," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 9, which plan was made by Hodges and Hamilton, civil engineers, dated January, 1894, the original of which is to be filed and recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is to remain on file in the official archives of said Board, to wit:—

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The first of said parcels, lying partly in the town of Winchester, partly in the town of Stoneham and partly in the city of Medford, beginning at a point in the line drawn from the southerly base of Pine Hill, northwesterly through the southern end of the dam of the South Reservoir of the town of Winchester, as shown on said plan, where said line intersects the westerly boundary of land shown on said plan as "Winchester Water Works Reservation," said point being marked on the ground by a stake; thence running N. 33° W. ten hundred and sixty-two feet to a stake in the division line between the town of Winchester and the city of Medford; thence N. 11° 30' W. five hundred and fifty-two and seventy-nine one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence more northerly, curving to the right by a curved line with a radius of five hundred and forty-six and forty-four one-hundredths feet, seventy-seven feet to a stake; thence N. 3° 25' W. seven hundred and eleven and four-tenths feet to a stake; thence curving to the right, by a curved line with a radius of three hundred and ninety-six and twenty one-hundredths feet, two hundred and seven feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, by a curved line with a radius of six hundred and thirty-seven and twenty-seven one-hundredths feet, seven hundred and seventy one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence curving to the right, by a curved line with a radius of four hundred and fifty-three and twenty-six one-hundredths feet, four hundred and eighty-one one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence by a curve to the left, with a radius of eleven hundred and forty-six and twenty-eight one-hundredths feet, three hundred and eight one hundredths feet to a stake; thence continuing on a curve to the left, with a radius of five hundred and seventy-three and sixty-nine one-hundredths feet, one hundred and twenty-four feet to a stake; thence N. 13° 15' W.

one hundred and thirteen feet to a stake; thence N. 7° 15' E. three hundred and eighty one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence S. 27° E. one hundred and twelve and fourteen one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence N. 13° E. four hundred and ninety three and ninety-four one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence N. 35° E. ten hundred and twelve and sixty-six one-hundredths feet to a stake in the north side line of [illegible] Avenue, so called; thence easterly, curving to the left by a curved line tangent to said north side line with a radius of four hundred and ten and twenty-eight one-hundredths feet, two hundred and fifty one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence still easterly, curving to the left by a curved line with a radius of eleven hundred and forty-six and twenty-eight one-hundredths feet, four hundred and twelve one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence easterly more northerly, curving to the left by a curved line with a radius of four hundred and ten and twenty-eight one-hundredths feet, four hundred and one feet to a stake; thence more northerly, curving to the left by a curved line with a radius of fourteen hundred and thirty-two and sixty-nine one-hundredths feet, three hundred and five one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence northerly still curving to the left by a curved line with a radius of seven hundred and sixteen and seventy-eight one-hundredths feet, two hundred and fifteen one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence northerly, but curving to the right by a curved line with a radius of seven hundred and sixteen and seventy-eight one-hundredths feet, three hundred and twenty-four one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence northerly more easterly, by a curved line curving to the right with a radius of two hundred and eighty-seven and ninety-four one-hundredths feet, three hundred and one and fifty-two one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence easterly more northerly, curving to the left by a curved line with a radius of eleven hundred and forty-six and twenty-eight one-hundredths feet, four hundred and twelve

one-hundredths feet to land of the said Winchester Water Works Reservation at a point seventy-nine feet easterly from the westerly corner thereof; thence on several courses in a general easterly and southerly direction by said Winchester Water Works Reservation and bounding on the same to the point of beginning;

The second of said parcels being situated in said city of Medford and bounded and described as follows;— beginning at a point in said line drawn from the southerly base of Pine Hill north-westerly through the southern end of the dam of the South Reservoir of the town of Winchester, shown on said first above-mentioned plan as "Winchester Water Works Reservation," where said line intersects the southerly line of said reservation on the south east side of said dam, which point is marked on the ground by a stake; and thence running S. 33° E. forty-eight hundred and ten feet to a stake; thence S. 77° 37′ E. nine hundred and fifty-eight feet to side line of Forest Street; thence running in a general northerly direction, following the curvature of said side line of said street fourteen hundred and fifty feet to a stake; thence N. 83° 30′ W. by land marked in said plan as "Proposed Medford Water Works Reservation" four hundred and eighty feet to a stake; thence N. 72° 15′ W. by the same about twelve hundred and ninety-two feet to a stake; thence N. 1° 45′ E. by the same ten hundred and seventy-four feet to a stake; thence N. 54° 30′ W. by the same five hundred and thirty-seven feet to a stake; thence N. 33° E. by the same nine hundred and twenty-three feet to a stake; thence N. 5° 30′ W. by the same seven hundred and fifty-eight feet to a stake; thence N. 61° 15′ W. by the same two hundred and twelve feet to a stake; thence N. 65° W. by the same about two hundred and ninety-one feet to said Winchester Water Works

Reservation; thence in a general westerly, southerly and westerly direction by several courses by said Winchester Water Works Reservation, and bounding on the same, to the point of beginning:

The third of said parcels being situated partly in the town of Stoneham and partly in the city of Medford and bounded and described as follows;— beginning at a stake at a point where the division line between said Stoneham and Medford intersects the westerly side line of Forest Street, and from said point running in a general northerly direction by a line in part curved and in part broken along the westerly side of said street three thousand one hundred and fourteen feet to the Spot Pond Water Works Reservation; thence north-westerly, bounded north-easterly by said Spot Pond Water Works Reservation, by the Bear Hill Park Reservation and by said Winchester Water Works Reservation by several courses, all as shown on said plan, to a stake; thence in a general southerly direction and bounded westerly by said Winchester Water Works Reservation to a stake; thence S. 59°30' E. by land shown on said plan as "Proposed Medford Water Works Reservation" four hundred and twenty-five feet to a stake; thence N. 86° E. by the same eight hundred and seventy-nine feet to a stake; thence N. 31° 30' E. by the same three hundred and fifty-four feet to a stake; thence N. 35° E. by the same three hundred and seventy-seven feet to the point of beginning:

The fourth of said parcels being situated partly in said town of Winchester and partly in said Stoneham, and bounded and described as follows;— beginning at the north-westerly corner of said Winchester Water Works Reservation, which corner lies east of Highland Avenue and north of Lakeview Road extended, which point is marked by a stake in the ground, and from said point running N. 17° W. nineteen and eighty-five

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one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence running N. 31° 30′ E. one hundred eighty-two and thirty one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence N. 36° 30′ E eight hundred fifty-two and three one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence easterly, curving to the right by a curved line with a radius of two hundred eighty-seven and ninety-four one-hundredths feet, two hundred and one and two one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence still curving to the right, by a curved line with a radius of eight hundred and fifteen and ninety-three one-hundredths feet, one hundred sixty-seven and eight one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence N. 88° 15′ E. thirty-seven and seventy one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence northeasterly, curving to the right by a curved line with a radius of three hundred fifty-nine and twenty-six one-hundredths feet, one hundred and thirty-two one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence a little south of east, curving to the right by a curved line with a radius of eleven hundred forty-six and twenty-eight one-hundredths feet, five hundred and fourteen one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence still curving to the right, by a curved line with a radius of nineteen hundred and ten, and eight one-hundredths feet, two hundred and two one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence still curving to the right, by a curved line with a radius of nine hundred ninety-six and eighty-seven one-hundredths feet, three hundred and eleven one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, by a curved line with a radius of seven hundred sixteen and seventy-eight one-hundredths feet, four hundred and thirty-two one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence still curving to the left, by a curved line with a radius of twenty-eight hundred sixty-four and ninety-three one-hundredths feet, three hundred and two one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence still curving

to the left, by a curved line with a radius of five hundred seventy-three and sixty-nine one-hundredths feet, three hundred and thirty-eight one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence still curving to the left, by a curved line with a radius of six hundred three and eighty one-hundredths feet, four hundred and forty-six one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence curving to the right, by a curved line with a radius of three hundred thirty-five and ninety-one one-hundredths feet, four hundred forty-five and fifty-six one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence S. 59° E. one hundred seventy-six and seventy one-hundredths feet to said Spot Pond Water Works Reservation; thence south-westerly, bounded south-easterly by said Spot Pond Water Works Reservation, to the said Bear Hill Park Reservation; thence north-westerly by said Bear Hill Park Reservation; thence south-westerly, bounded south-easterly by said Bear Hill Park Reservation, to said Winchester Water Works Reservation by a broken line; thence in a general westerly direction by several lines, all as shown on said plan, by said Winchester Water Works Reservation, and bounding on the same, to the point of beginning.

The fifth of said parcels being situated in said Stoneham is bounded and described as follows:— beginning at a point in the westerly side line of Main Street, nearly opposite to the north-east corner of South and Main streets, which point is marked by a stake in the ground; thence running N. 59° W. to said Spot Pond Water Works Reservation; thence in a general southerly and easterly direction by several lines and courses, all as shown on said plan, by said Spot Pond Water Works Reservation to said Main Street; thence northerly by said side line of said Main Street seven hundred and fourteen and five-tenths feet to the point of beginning.

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Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel, or part thereof, included within the foregoing descriptions, or howsoever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Statement of estimated cost of takings in Middlesex Fells Reservation.

C. M. F. R. 1

C. Claims, M. F. R.

After the reading of the takings which the sub-committee on the Middlesex Fells submitted with their report, Mr. Casas made a detailed statement of the estimated cost, as nearly as could be ascertained, of the takings in the various cities and towns. The aggregate approximate amount was stated to be ~~three~~ hundred ~~and fifty~~ thousand dollars ($300,000.) based upon the appraised value of the land for the purposes of taxation and such other data as could be obtained.

Secretary instructed to notify owners of land in West Section of Blue Hills Reservation of hearing. C. Lands 2

The Secretary was instructed to notify Hon. Roger Wolcott, E. E. Floyd, Daniel Denny, Mrs. Mary Hemenway and H. E. C. Eustis, owners of land taken by this Commission in the West Section of the Blue Hills Reservation, that this Board will on Friday, February 9, at one P.M. give a hearing to said parties.

On motion of Mr. Casas it was –

Secretary to communicate with water boards owning lands in Middlesex Fells Reservation.

Ordered: –– That the Secretary be directed to put himself in communication with the several

3 water boards of the cities and towns owning lands

C. Public Holdings

within and adjacent to the Middlesex Fells Reservation for the purpose of agreeing with them as to the use of their lands and those taken by this Commission for the common benefit of the public.

Adjourned at 3.45 to meet on Friday, February 9 at 1 P.M.

H. S. Carruth
Secretary.

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Records of the twenty-fourth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111 and 112 Ames Building, Boston, Mass., on Friday, February 9th at 1. P.M.

Present, all the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

1 On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase it was

Secretary to notify Mr. Kendall of Belmont of hearing

Ordered: — That the Secretary notify Mr. Kendall of Belmont, a portion of whose estate was recently taken by this Commission within the limits of the Beaver Brook Reservation, that this Board will give him a hearing on Friday, February 16, at 1.30 P.M.

C. Kendall.

On motion of Mr. Eliot it was

Purchases of land [illegible] approved by the Board

Ordered: — That the following purchases of land within the Blue Hills Reservation, made by the Secretary, are approved by this Board and ordered paid.

C. Names

2.	Royal T. Mann —	14 acres 1 qr.	$25. per acre
3.	George W. Bass —	14 "	$35. " "
4.	Edward V. Trask	2 "	37.50 " "
5.	Alice Babcock	19½ "	40. " "
6.	Charles F. Babcock	12½ "	45. " "
7.	Adams Real Estate Trust	10 "	30. " "
8.	Joel F. Sheppard	10 "	20. " "
9.	" "	9 "	33⅓ " "
10.	Harvey Mann and others	17 "	50. " "

11. On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase it was

Secretary to invite Mayor Matthews to meet with Board February 16.

Ordered: — That the Secretary notify the Mayor of Boston that this Commission should be pleased to have him meet with them on Friday, February 16, at 2.30 P.M.

C. Boston Mayor

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The Secretary reported sales of wood from the Blue Hills Reservation during the month of January

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to the amount of sixty dollars ($60.00) and cash received for said amount.

1 On motion of Mr. Evans it was

C. Transportation
O. Overseer

Ordered:—That the matter of providing the necessary means of transportation for the Overseer of the Reservations be referred to Mr. H. L. Chase and the Secretary as a sub committee with full powers.

Brook Reservation referred to Mr. Richards
O. BBR.

A letter was received from W. H. Manning, Superintendent of Planting for Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, and having direct charge of the work now being done at the Beaver Brook Reservation, commenting upon the manner in which said work was being performed. Said letter was referred to Mr. Richards. 2

x 3 The Secretary reported the number of men employed in the Blue Hills Reservation February 6th as follows:—

73 laborers at $1.50 per day
4 foremen " 2.00 " "

Adjourned at 3.25 to meet on Friday, February 16, at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Carruth Secretary.

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Records of the twenty-fifth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111 and 112 Ames Building, Friday, February 16 at 1.30 P.M.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

4 A hearing was given Mr. J. S. Kendall, of Belmont, in relation to the land recently taken from him by this Commission within the limits of the Beaver Brook Reservation.

O. Kendall

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Report of Secretary upon land settlements in Blue Hills Reservation up to and including February 15

Henry L. Pierce [illegible]

The Secretary submitted a report upon the settlement for lands taken within the limits of the Blue Hills Reservation up to and including February 15th, as follows:–

Boston, February 16, 1894.

Hon. Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir:–

I deem it desirable that at this time I should make a report upon the land settlements within the lines of the Blue Hills Reservation.

Up to the close of business February 15th there had been settled 1560.45 acres at an expense of $63,592.67 making the average price per acre in all four sections $40.75.

The amount and average price paid for each of the sections is as follows:––

			average per acre
In the Western Section	64.75 acres	$3687.63	57.00
" " Western Middle "	415. "	20121.54	48.50
" " East " "	560. "	20147.	36.00
" " Eastern "	520.7 "	19636.50	37.50

This does not take into account the two considerable tracts of land given by the Hon. Henry L. Pierce and Mr. Augustus Hemenway. I possess no absolute knowledge of the exact contents of Mr. Pierce's holding but I estimate the two above parcels at about 100 acres.

This shows a gain within the estimated cost of the Reservation of $30630. divided as follows.

In the Western Section	2788.
" " West Middle "	625.
" " East " "	7853.
" " Eastern Section	19364.

Of course it must be borne in mind that there are still three properties which may considerably exceed the estimates, viz: The Hoosic Whisic property belonging to J. C. Talbot, about 90

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acres; the Pope's and Turner ice pond property, 15 acres; and the property belonging to Mr. Parks upon which as yet I have made no estimate.

Respectfully submitted
(signed) H. S. Carruth,
Secretary.

[Land settlements in the Blue Hills, reported made by the Secretary, approved by the Board.]

The Secretary also submitted the land settlements in the Blue Hills made between February 9th and 16th, which were, on motion of Mr. Richards, approved and ordered paid, as follows;

C. Names. 1	George T. Hunt	9 acres	at $30.	per acre	$270.
2	C. A. Belcher	11 "	" 35.	" "	385.
3	Samuel Leighton et al	10 "	" 35.	" "	350.
4	James Nightingale	14 "	" 40.	" "	560.
5	I. F. Baxter, et al.	80 "	" 35.	" "	2800.
	"	17 "	" 30.	" "	510.
	"	5 "	" 20.	" "	100.
6	C. H. Howard, et al	27 "	" 40.	" "	1080.
	"	15 "	" 40.	" "	600.
7	N. M. Safford	26 "	" 45.	" "	1170.
	"	40 "	" 30.	" "	1200.
	"	10 "	" 30.	" "	300.
8	E. J. Fairbank et al	7 "	" 40.	" "	280.
9	J. W. Nightingale et al	52 "	" 35.	" "	1820.
	Total	353 acres			$11425.

Average price per acre $35.37

Conference with Mayor ... [illegible]

C. S. B. R. 10 A conference of considerable length was held with the Mayor of Boston and certain members of the Boston Park Commission on the matter of determining the boundaries of the Stony Brook Reservation. Nothing definite was decided and the matter was taken under consideration for further discussion.

Adjourned at 5.15 to meet on Friday, February 23, at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Carruth
Secretary.

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Report of the twenty-sixth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111 and 112 Ames Building, Boston, at 1.30 P.M., Friday February 23rd, 1894.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Report of committee on additional office room.

1 Offices. General.

Mr. P. A. Chase, the committee on the question of additional room for office use, reported in favor of the renting of number 113, on the same floor and adjoining the present offices, and was upon the motion of Mr. Chase, given full powers to conclude such arrangements for the matter of rent, etc., as he should deem best.

Com. from Malden Park Board requesting assistance of landscape architects.

2 Malden, Pub. Op. Sp.

The following communication from the Malden Park Commission was received and the Secretary was instructed to notify said Board of the granting of their request.

February 10, 1894.

To the Metropolitan Park Commission,

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of this board held yesterday it was voted to request from the Metropolitan Park Commission the services of its landscape architects in relation to the parks and open spaces of Malden, according to the policy adopted by the Metropolitan board concerning the proposed local parks and open spaces in the town of Winthrop.

Most respectfully yours

(signed) Sylvester Baxter

for Malden Park Commission

Purchases of land made by the Secretary in Middlesex Fells Reservation approved by Board.

3 Names.

The following purchases of land made by the Secretary were approved and ordered paid:

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1	1.	Preston P. Kittredge	10½ acres	$30. per acre	$315.
2	2.	Hiram A. French	25 "	30. " "	750.
3	3.	"	11 "	50. " "	550.
4	4.	" "	8 "	30. " "	240.
5	5.	"	6 "	30. " "	180.
6	6.	Margaret M. Hade	1½ "	50. " "	75.
7	7.	Isidora Thayer & others	16 "	40. " "	640.
8	8.	Pope & Turner	10 "		4500.
9	9.	Loretta I. Park	40 "		3000.
			128 "		$10250.

Average per acre — $80.08

Average per acre of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 — $35.25

Invitation to meet with State Board of Agriculture accepted by the Board.

2. Insects

10 The following communication from the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture was received and the Secretary was instructed to communicate with said Board and notify them of the acceptance of their invitation by this Board.

Boston, February 20, 1894.

H. S. Carruth, Esq.,

Sec'y Metropolitan Park Commission,

Dear Sir:-

The Gypsy Moth Committee of the State Board of Agriculture in the work of extermination are often obliged to enter upon territory under the jurisdiction of the Park Commissioners.

It seems eminently desirable that there should be an understanding between the two Boards. To this end I am instructed by said Committee to invite the Commissioners to meet with the Committee at this place (Commonwealth Building) at their next regular meeting, Tuesday, March 6, 1894. The hour of 2 P.M. is suggested for the meeting. This place is named for the meeting because of the facilities here for

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illustrating and explaining the work of the Gypsy Moth Committee. I refer to an exhibition [illegible] which was at the Columbian Exposition and to specimens, maps and photographs. If a different day or hour will better accommodate the Commissioners please so inform the committee through me and no doubt an arrangement can be made for a meeting at that time.

Respectfully
(signed) Wm. P. Sessions,
Secretary of Committee.

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Labor Org. 1 A delegation representing the Central Labor Union waited upon the Board and was by the Secretary informed of the inability of the Board to receive them owing to the press of business to be transacted at that meeting, and the Secretary was further authorized to make a suitable reply to their communication in writing.

Communication from [illegible]

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A communication from Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot relating to the work of the Landscape Architects for the Commission up to date was received and ordered placed on file.

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3 The Secretary reported the number of employees in the Blue Hills Reservation at the close of business on February 21st, as follows:—

114 men at 1.50 per day
5 " " 2.00 " "

Adjourned at 3.30 to meet on Saturday, February 24th at 12 M.

Report of adjourned twenty-sixth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the Offices of the Commission, numbers 111 and 112 Ames Building, Boston, at 12 M. Saturday, February 24th, 1894.

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Present, All the members of the Commission.

A general and informal discussion relating to what course this Board would take in relation to the taking of the Stony Brook Reservation and the construction of a parkway from the Boston Park System to said Stony Brook Reservation was had resulting, on motion of Mr. Evans, in the passage of the following order.

Ordered:-- That this Board instruct its Secretary and Engineers to confer with His Honor, Mayor Matthews, and the Boston Park Board and to prepare plans for the taking of so much of the land from Mother Brook to Bellevue Hill and thence towards the Arnold Arboretum (indicated by the accompanying memorandum furnished by His Honor, Mayor Matthews, and said Boston Park Board and by the Plan entitled "Sketch of Parkway from Arnold Arboretum to Blue Hills. No. 22. Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, February 16, 1894," as may cost not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($150,000.) and that sum is hereby set aside for this purpose.

Memorandum of Mayor Matthews:--

1. To take immediately all land as shown on Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot's plan between Mother Brook and Washington Street.

2. Also some land about Mt. Bellevue Water Tower and between it and Washington Street.

3. To appropriate $150,000. for these lands and a connecting parkway to the Arboretum or Franklin Park, as far as the money will go.

4. This way to be laid out as agreed by the Metropolitan Park Commission and the Boston Park Commission.

5. The Metropolitan Park Commission to take as far towards the the Arboretum as

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$150,000. is estimated, after conference with the owners, to go; the city to take the rest and build roads from the Arboretum to the Hyde Park line and maintain them.

Adjourned at 12.50 to meet on Friday, March 2, at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Carruth
Secretary

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Report of the (27th) twenty-seventh meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission numbers 111 and 112 Ames Building, Boston, Friday March 2, 1894 at 1.30 P.M.

Present, Messrs P. A. Chase, Lucas, Richards and H. S. Chase.

P. A. Chase Chairman pro tem.

On motion of Mr Richards Mr P. A. Chase was elected Chairman pro-tem.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Report of Secretary on estimates for boundary posts. Boundstones.

The Secretary submitted the following report which was accepted.

February 28th, 1894.

Hon. Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,
Metropolitan Park Commission,

Sir:-

Agreeably to an order passed by this Board instructing me to procure estimates for stone monuments for use in the reservations as boundary stones I submit herewith the following proposals:-

Charles Wilson, Quincy,	at	Stony Brook or Blue Hills Reser.	.95
F. J. Fuller, "	"	Blue Hills Reservation	.90
" "	"	Stony Brook "	.95
Smithmi Bros.	"	Blue Hills "	.75
" "	"	Stony Brook "	.75

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George H. Hitchcock & Co., Quincy, delivered on team at Quincy		.75
John Cushman, West " , either reservation		.70
Field and Wild, Quincy, " "		.55

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) H. S. Carruth
Secretary.

On motion of Mrs. T. L. Chase it was

Secretary ordered to make contract with Messrs. Field and Wild for boundary posts

Ordered:- That the Secretary be authorized to make a contract with Messrs Field & Wild, of Quincy, Massachusetts, for as many boundary posts as the Board may require in the Blue Hills and Stony Brook Reservations, said posts to be four feet long, six inches square on top, broken to a line, at fifty-five cents (55¢) each, delivered on any public highway within or adjoining either of the above named Reservations.

Mr. W. B. Stevens given hearing in connection with Bear Hill Reservation in Stoneham

C. Bear Hill

Mr. W. B. Stevens, of the Stoneham Park Board, was given a hearing in connection with the Bear Hill Reservation in the town of Stoneham. The matter was taken under advisement.

Report of Secretary in relation to fencing reservations

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C. Fence.

The Secretary submitted the following report in relation to fencing the reservations, which was accepted, and the Secretary was instructed to see what arrangement could be made for putting up a portion of the fence for inspection or if any fencing of this variety is now existing in this vicinity where it can be seen by the Commission.

Boston, February 28, 1894.

Hon Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir:--

I desire to submit the following estimate for fencing. The estimate covers the expense at any of the reservations within the District.

W. Ballentyne, woven wire fencing

made by Gilbert and Bennett Manufacturing Co., 47 inches wide, mesh of 5½ X 10½. six hundred and fifty-six dollars ($656.) per mile, $1.00 extra for each break in fence.

This estimate covers the total expense complete, posts, wire mesh, casting, labor, all items connected with the cost of completing the job.

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) H. S. Carruth.
Secretary.

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The Secretary submitted the following report on the matter of settees which was accepted and ordered placed on file

Boston, February 28th, 1894.

Hon. Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir:--

I desire to call the attention of the Commission to the matters of settees to be used in certain locations within the lines of the Reservations. If it is the wish of the Commission that a certain number of settees should be purchased and placed in the grounds, I desire to state that expense of a suitable settee, such as is used by the Boston Park Board, consisting of a wrought iron frame with oak slats five feet long, is three dollars and seventy-five cents ($3.75) each, F.O.B. cars in Philadelphia.

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) H. S. Carruth,
Secretary.

Letter from H. H. Carter, Supt. of Streets of the city of Boston [illegible]

The following letter from Mr. H. H. Carter, Superintendent of Streets of the city of Boston, was read by the Secretary in response to a letter from him agreeably to a vote in rela-

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tion to the use of Squantum Head.

Boston, February 28, 1894.

Hon. H. S. Carruth,

Sec'y Board of Metropolitan Park Commission,

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Dear Sir:-

In relation to your communication of the 27th instant, I would respectfully inform you that I have notified the contractors at work on Squantum Head to discontinue work on and after March 5, 1894.

Yours truly,

(signed) H. H. Carter,

Supt. of Streets.

Letter from Messrs. Balch and Rackemann in regard to Special [illegible]

The following was received from Messrs. Balch and Rackemann, the counsel of the Commission.

C. [illegible]

Boston, 2d March, 1894.

Metropolitan Park Commission,

H. S. Carruth, Esq.,

Secretary.

Dear Sir:-

In answer to the request of the Commission that we should select Special Counsel to act for it before Committees of the Legislature having charge of any proposed acts bearing upon the Commission's work, we beg leave to say that we recommend the Hon. William E. Russell.

We do this with the consent of the ex-Governor, who said that if selected he should go into the matter with personal pleasure and satisfaction.

In the hope that this choice will be acceptable to the Board, and receive its quick approval, we remain,

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Very truly and respectfully
(signed) Balch and Rackemann

Limited committee on Special Counsel.

On motion of Mr. H. L. Chase the matter was referred to Mr. Casas as a committee with full powers.

Discussion on Highland Avenue improvement in Malden & Medford.

Mr. Casas brought up the matter of the Highland Avenue improvement in the cities of Malden and Medford upon which there was a general discussion but no definite action was taken.

Secretary reported number of men employed in Blue Hills Reservation.

The Secretary reported the number of men employed in the Blue Hills Reservation, as follows:-

4 Foremen	at	$2.00	per day
101 Laborers	"	1.50	" "

Adjourned at 3.05 to meet on Friday, March 9th, at 1.30 P.M.

N. S. Caswell
Secretary

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Report of the twenty-eighth (28th) meeting of the Metropolitan Parks Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111 and 112 Ames Building, Boston, Friday, March 9th, 1894, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, Messrs Casas, P. A. Chase and Richards

Casas elected Chairman pro-tem.

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase Mr. Casas was elected Chairman pro-tem.

The records of the preceding were read and accepted.

Bills to be approved by the Chairman pro-tem.

3 On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Ordered:— That all bills for the expenses of this Commission be approved by the Chairman pro-tem. before being forwarded to the Auditor.

4 A petition was ordered made to the Supreme Judicial Court praying for the appointment of

board of three commissioners, according to the terms of Chapter 407 of the Acts of 1893, for the assessment of the proportional part of land damages and expenses of this Commission upon the various cities and towns of the Metropolitan District.

Petition from James F. C. Hyde and others of Newton.
C. Newton Boulevard.

1 A petition was received from James F. C. Hyde and others of Newton in relation to the inspection by this Board of certain proposed routes for a boulevard in the city of Newton. Said petition was referred to the landscape architects with the instruction that they report whether this matter has any connection with any work of this Board.

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C. Rifle Range.

A communication was received from [illegible] E. E. Cooke,
2 of Company [illegible] 5th Regiment, M. V. M. in relation to the use of the Bear's Den Rifle Range. The communication was referred to Mr. Curtis with full powers.

Secretary instructed to appoint police.
CC. Appointments: Police Chiefs " Patrolmen

The Secretary was instructed to appoint, subject
3 to confirmation by the Board, one chief of police and five patrolmen for the Middlesex Fells Reservation and one chief of police and six patrolmen for the Blue Hills Reservation. The wages of the chiefs to be $2.50 a day and of the patrolmen $2.25 a day.

[illegible] act con- [illegible] to expedite payment of payrolls etc. laid over
C. Finances Payrolls.

A draft of an act concerning the advancing of money by the Treasurer to this Board to expedite
4 payment of payrolls and current expenses, was laid before the Board and was, on motion of Mr. P. A. Chase, laid over one week.

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C. Thoms.

The Secretary submitted a proposition from James
5 Thoms to settle his claim against the State for the taking of his house and about three acres of land on Randolph Turnpike, City of Quincy, Blue Hills Reservation, for $1500. The matter was referred to the Secretary with the suggestion that he endeavor to secure the property for $1200.

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A communication was received from the Gilbert and Bennett Manufacturing Company stating that fences of their make were in existence on the line of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad and various other places, none of which were near this City.

The Secretary made the following report upon the land held by Mr. Wyman in the town of Winchester within the boundaries of the Middlesex Fells Reservation. The matter was laid on the table.

Boston March 8th, 1894.

Chairman Pro-tempore,

Metropolitan Park Commission,

Sir:—

A conference was held by your Secretary and the Counsel of this Commission with Mr. Wyman, of Winchester, and his counsel in this office on Thursday afternoon relative to a settlement of Mr. Wyman's claim against the Commonwealth for about 160 acres, more or less, taken by this Commission from him. As the result of a good deal of discussion Mr. Wyman finally submitted an offer, which he stated was the best that he could do under any circumstances, of sixty-five thousand dollars ($65,000.) This would make the price, providing there are 160 acres, about four hundred dollars ($400.) an acre. Your Secretary stated to Mr. Wyman that in a matter involving so large a sum of money that he did not feel justified in making any statements as to what the probable action of the Board would be.

He herewith submits Mr. Wyman's proposition, together with his request that the matter receive immediate attention.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) H. S. Carruth

Secretary.—

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1. The following statement was made by the Secretary in relation to the two parcels of land owned by the Honorable John M. Forbes in the town of Milton and city of Quincy, and the Secretary was instructed to communicate with Mr. Forbes that the Board could not accept the prices named by him.

Boston, March 8th, 1894.

Temporary Chairman of the
Metropolitan Park Commission -

Dear Sir:-

For some time past I have been in process of negotiation with the representatives of the Honorable John M. Forbes for two parcels of land owned by him in the town of Milton, one upon the north side of Hillside Street and the other upon the south side. The lot upon the north side of the street contains thirty-nine acres, the one upon the south side about twenty acres.

On February 21st I addressed a letter to Mr. Forbes' representative, as follows;--

Mr. Edward C. Perkins,
707 Sears Building,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Perkins:-

In response to your letter of the 19th inst. Mr. John M. Forbes owns 39 acres in what we denominate as the Western Section of the Blue Hills Reservation. This is land on the north-west side of Hillside Street. I mean by that that we have taken 39 acres of the land owned in this section. There is also another parcel of land on the south side of Hillside Street farther along towards Canton partly in Milton and partly in Quincy. This land came to Mr. Forbes from Mary T. Farrington. I cannot give

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the contents of this piece but should think it contains in the vicinity of 22 acres. We have bought the land all about this second lot for $50. an acre which price I should consider a fair one for Mr. Forbes' holding. The first parcel on the north side of the Street I should not consider worth over $40. an acre as a very large part of it is a low, swampy piece of land, through which a stream runs, being the same stream which feeds the ice pond of Pope and Turner just across Hillside Street from Mr. Forbes lot.

Yours very truly,
(signed) H. S. Carruth.
Secretary.

As it will be observed in this letter I made a valuation, based upon prices made in the vicinity, of fifty dollars for one lot and forty dollars for the other.

In a communication received this morning from Mr. Forbes' representatives, he offers the land for seventy dollars per acre which I valued at fifty dollars, and one hundred dollars per acre for that which I valued at forty.

I see no reason to change the valuations which I have made in both cases, nor can I understand upon what basis Mr. Forbes has determined his price. Especially am I surprised at his price of the lot upon the north side of Hillside Street. A very large proportion, if not a majority part, of this lot is low swampy ground and as I have bought much more desirable land around which was on a good grade with Hillside Street only a little way further along in the Reservation for fifty dollars an acre I cannot recommend a settlement upon such figures.

I respectfully submit that the prices named by me in my letter of February 21st are

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fair, just and equitable and I should recommend that the Board adhere to those prices,

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) H. S. Carruth,
Secretary,

The following purchases of land made by the Secretary in the Blue Hills Reservation were approved and ordered paid.

C.C. Norris.

1	Edward C. Peebles	13 acres	at 30.75	per acre
2	A. K. Teele, Hattie C. Tucker	25 "	" 42.	"
3	" Trustee	9 "	" 75.	"
4	Heirs of J. C. Talbot	94 "	20000.	
5	James W. Robertson	1/2 "	750.	
6	Thomas E. Grover }			
7	Waldo E. Davenport }	7 "	at 30.	"
8	Isabella McDonald	6 "	" 50.	"
9	George T. Hunt }			
10	Charles H. Howard }	11 1/2 "	" 40.	"
11	Gideon L. Bowley	15 "	" 75.	"
12	Sarah F. Upham	14 1/2 "	" 40.	"
13	Mary S. Fenno	8 1/4 "	" 40.	"
14	Horace P. Mann & others	20 "	" 50.	"
15	Joseph E. Haze }			
	Samuel Gannett } Trustees	9 1/2 "	" 42.	"
16	Samuel Gannett } Executors,	area unknown	" 50.	"
	Martha E. Copeland }			
17	Daniel Denny }			
	Henry C. Wainwright }	50 "	" 100.	"

The Secretary reported the number of men employed in the Blue Hills Reservation as follows:-

91 men at 1.50 per day
4 " " 2.00 " "

Adjourned at 3.05 to meet on Friday, March 16th, at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Carruth
Secretary.

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Mar. 16, 1894.

Report of the twenty-ninth (29th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, 112 & 113 Ames Building, Boston, Friday, March 16th, at 2:30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs. P. A. Chase & Richardson.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

1 Chief, Patrolmen

The Secretary nominated for Chief of Police for the Blue Hills Reservation, Mr. Peleg Bronsdon of Milton; for patrolmen, John McAloon of Quincy, James C. White of Quincy, John Craig of Milton and William Jordan of Milton.

On motion of Mr. Chase the following order was passed;

Ordered;-- That the appointment by the Secretary of Peleg Bronsdon of Milton, as Chief of Police of the Blue Hills Reservation and of John McAloon and James C. White of Quincy, and John Craig and William Jordan of Milton to be patrolmen in the said Reservation, is hereby confirmed. The salary of said Chief to be $2.50 per day, and patrolmen $2.25 per day.

2 Applicants

The Secretary nominated for Chief of Police of the Middlesex Fells Reservation, Mr. Albert V. Cummings of Stoneham. Doubt being expressed as to the ability of Mr. Cummings to secure police appointment from the town authorities of Stoneham the matter of his confirmation was laid upon the table and the Secretary was instructed to ascertain whether said appointment could be obtained.

3 Newton boulevard

A letter was received from Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot relative to their examination of the proposed Newton boulevard, indicating their preference, from a Metropolitan point of view, for the southern or valley route. Said communication was placed on file and the Secretary was instructed to communicate with the petitioners stating that the Board had been unable to personally examine any of the routes proposed.

4

The Secretary submitted the assessed valuations of the lands held by Mr. A. Lawrence Rotch in Canton

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and Milton within the lines of the Blue Hills Reservation and was instructed to accept Mr. Rotch's proposition to settle his claim for said assessed valuations.

C. Davenport

1 The Secretary submitted a proposition from Mr. Horace C. Davenport of Canton to settle his claim for property owned by him within the Blue Hills Reservation for $5000. and a life interest for himself and wife. The proposition not being acceptable to the Board the matter was laid upon the table and the Secretary was instructed to further negotiate with said Davenport.

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C. Thoms.

2 The Secretary submitted the proposition of James Thoms and others for a settlement for the claim for their estate upon Randolph Avenue within the lines of the Blue Hills Reservation. The Secretary was instructed to accept their proposition of $1500.

Conference held with Moth Commission

C. Insects

3 A conference was held with representatives of the Gypsy Moth Commission of the State Board of Agriculture, and as a final outcome of the discussion the following statement was accepted.

That all employees of the Board of Agriculture under the direction of the Gypsy Moth Commission, who are designated for duty within the lines of the Middlesex Fells Reservation, are to wear a badge, and this Board will allow the spraying of trees and will hold for examination before sale all cut wood, which wood shall be tagged by employees of said Gypsy Moth Commission as being free from infection before being cut. Such as is found to be infected shall be burned. Said employees of said Gypsy Moth Commission have authority to cut dead trees anywhere within the boundaries of the Middlesex Fells Reservation and burn the same agreeing to take adequate precautions against the spread of fire and upon the condition that the consent of the Overseer of the Reservation has first been obtained.

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1 The Secretary submitted the following suggestions for an agreement with the local water boards within the Middlesex Fells Reservation, which were adopted.

1.— The Metropolitan Park Commission agrees to establish such rules and regulations as the local water board shall decide to be necessary within the limits of said water board's reservation and the said Commission further agrees to enforce said rules over said water board's territory.

2.— The said Commission agrees that no use of the said water reservation shall be made which shall in any way interfere with its use for water purposes or with the purity of the water.

3.— The said water board transfers to the said Park Commission the care and preservation of all the territory within the limits of its reservation subject to the above agreement and subject to the understanding that this arrangement is revokable upon thirty days notice by either party.

2 The Secretary reported the number of men employed in the Blue Hills Reservation, March 11th as follows:

4	foremen	at	$2.00	per day
93	laborers	"	1.50	" "

3 A communication was received from the representatives of several park commissions in the north section of the Metropolitan District expressing their desire to cooperate with this Board in its work. Said communication was signed by John Hill and others and was placed on file.

Local Authorities

4 A communication was received from S. M. Stevens and others, tax-payers of East Boston, urging the necessity of this Commission taking some action in relation to securing open spaces in the town of Winthrop. Said communication was placed on file.

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Adjourned at 4.30 to meet on Friday, March 23rd, at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Kearnwith
Secretary.

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Report of the thirtieth (30th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Friday March 23rd, at 1.30 P.M.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Conference with Mr. Brooke

A conference was held with Mr. Brooke the
C. B.R.B.&L.R.R. 1 engineer investigating the question of the relocation of the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn R.R.

The Secretary submitted a letter from the Park
C. Winthrop 2 Commissioners of the town of Winthrop which was read and ordered placed on file.

Secretary submitted

The Secretary also submitted a communication
3 from Mr. Hudson L. Bowley in relation to changing the
C. B.H.R. line of the Reservation in the Blue Hills. The letter was referred to the Secretary.

Labor Union.

A communication was received from the Central
4 Labor Union requesting a hearing. On motion of Mr.
C. Labor Un. Chase the Chairman and the Secretary were appointed a committee to give a hearing to the representatives of said Labor Union.

C. Laborers. 5 On motion of Mr. Chase it was

Ordered:-- That the Secretary reduce the number of men employed in the Blue Hills Reservation to fifty (50), on and after April 1st.

6 On motion of Mr. Chase it was

Ordered:-- That beginning on April 1st next
O. Pay, Laborers. the pay of the laborers in the several Reservations be one dollar and seventy-five cents ($1.75) per day; that of the foremen two dollars and twenty-five cents ($2.25)

7 On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Ordered:-- That the Secretary notify Mr.
C. Ice Runway G. H. Perkins of Watertown, former owner of an estate within the boundaries of the Beaver Brook Reservation, to remove his ice runway at once.

C. Division - Rel. Auth. B.B.R. 8 On motion of Mr. Chase it was

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Ordered: — That Mr. Richards be a committee to report the name of a man to have charge of the Beaver Brook Reservation.

1 The Secretary reported the number of men employed in the Blue Hills Reservation on March 21st, as follows;

4	foremen	at	2.00 per day
92	laborers	"	1.50 " "

Adjourned at 3.45 to meet on Friday, March 30th at 1.30.

N. S. Carruth
Secretary.

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Report of the thirty-first (31st) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 11, 115 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Friday, March 30th, at 1.30 P.M.

The reading of the records of the preceding meeting was dispensed with.

2 The Secretary submitted a letter from [illegible] Bass and Sarah E. W. Edwards relative to lands in the Eastern Section of the Blue Hills Reservation owned by them. The matter was referred to the Secretary.

3 An informal hearing was had in relation to the Revere Beach Reservation participated in by members of the Board, Messrs Adams and Stoddard, Directors of the B. R. B. and L. R.R., and Mr. Brooks the engineer employed by the Board.

4 A petition signed by Kendall Pollard, Edward H. Thomas and others requesting this Board to lay out a public park on the shore in the town of Swampscott, together with a letter from George W. Jackson in relation to the same subject were received, and the Secretary was instructed to communicate with the petitioners stating that this Commission [illegible] in sympathy with the [illegible]

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proposed, cannot see its way clear with the funds at present at its disposal to take any steps in the direction indicated.

1 C. Mace,

The Secretary submitted a suggestion of a proposition relating to the sheds and buildings occupied by Mr. William H. Mace near Spot Pond in the Middlesex Fells. After discussion, on motion of Mr. Richards it was

Ordered:-- That the Secretary notify Mr. Mace that the Commission does not care to continue his occupancy of the property and to notify him to surrender up the property on May 1st next.

2 C. Uniforms, Police

The Secretary called the attention of the Board to the matter of uniforms for the police of the several Reservations and, on motion of Mr. Chase, the matter was referred to the Secretary and Landscape Architects with full power.

3 C. Hoosic Whist Club

The Secretary also, at the request of the Board of management of the Hoosic Whist Club, brought up the question of the continuance of said Club in the house now occupied by them on Hillside Street in the Blue Hills Reservation, and, on motion of Mr. P. A. Chase it was

Secretary to notify that this Board allow

Ordered:-- That the Secretary notify said Club that this Board will allow them to continue in possession of the property according to the terms of their present lease.

4 Appointments C. Police, Patrol

The Secretary nominated for patrolmen in the Blue Hills Reservation, Bernard O'Neil, of Quincy, and Frank W. Sylrada of Milton.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Appointment of Bernard O'Neil Frank W. Sylrada as ...

Ordered:-- That the appointment by the Secretary of Bernard M. O'Neil of Quincy and Frank W. Sylrada of Milton as patrolmen in the Blue Hills Reservation is hereby confirmed.

C. Forbes 5. The Secretary submitted a communication from

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Communication from F. M. Stone in relation to lands of J. M. Forbes

Mr. F. M. Stone, acting for Mr. J. M. Forbes, in relation to certain lands of said Forbes within the lines of the Blue Hills Reservation. The communication was referred to the Secretary.

1. The question of building a wall in place of a c. Walls, B.B.R. fence around the Beaver Brook Reservation was brought up by the Secretary and on motion of Mr. Richards

Secretary to obtain proposals for building wall around Beaver Brook Reservation

the Secretary was instructed to obtain proposals for building said wall, using stone now existing within the lines of said Reservation.

2. Order of Supreme Judicial Court, placed on file.

The Secretary communicated to the Board the order of the Supreme Judicial Court upon the petition of c. Apportionment the Board, under date of March 5th, praying for the appointment of a Commission. Said order of the Court was, on motion of Mr. Chase, placed on file.

Secretary to communicate with Mayor of Malden and Capt. E. E. Locke that this Board desires discontinuance of Bear Den Rifle Range

The Secretary was directed to communicate with the Mayor of Malden and with Captain E. E. Locke, notifying them Rifle Range 3 that this Board desires a discontinuance of the Bear Den Rifle Range within the limits of the Middlesex Fells Reservation.

Purchases of land

The following purchases of land made by the Secretary c. Names. in the Blue Hills Reservation were approved & ordered paid.

4.	A. Lawrence Rotch	67 acres	being the	7400. assessed valuation }	
5.	Francis T. O'Brien	5 "	at	40.	per acre.
6.	Daniel H. Baxter	6 "	"	40.	" "
7.	Stillman S. Tucker	10 "	"	40.	" "
	" " "	6 "	"	45.	" "
8.	Thomas B. Howard	11 "	"	35.	" "
9.	Hubert B. Tucker	33½ "	"	50.	" "
10.	Wallace C. Tucker	33½ "	"	50.	" "
11.	Fannie A. Holbrook	4 "	"	40.	" "
12.	Thomas S. Howard	25 "	"	40.	" "
13.	James Thorne	3 "		1500.	
14.	Fannie A. Tucker	8 "	"	40.	" "
15.	Susie J. Hale	16 "	"	40.	" "
	" " "	2 "	"	25.	" "
16.	Caroline Prescott & others	25 "	"	[illegible]	

The following purchases of land made by the Secretary in the Middlesex Fells Reservation were approved and ordered paid.

1 Heirs of John Potnue 20 acres, 9 rods 2250.
2 Jacob C. Stanton 9 " 900.
3 J. F. Dwinell 42 " @ 100. per acre.

Adjourned at 4.40 P.M. to meet on Friday April 6th, at 1.30 P.M.

A. L. Bennett
Secretary.

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Report of the thirty-second (32nd) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the office of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Friday, April 6th, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs Chase and Richards.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

The Secretary reported the number of men employed in the Fells Reservation April 5th, as follows,

4 foremen at 2.25 per day
53 laborers " 1.75 " "

4 The Secretary submitted the following communication from the Malden Park Board, which was read, and ordered placed on file, and the Secretary was instructed to communicate with said Board and to inform them that the landscape architects of this Commission will confer with said Malden Park Board, in reference to any work or scheme which they have in view which is in any way related to the Metropolitan system.

C. Malden P.B. Op. Sp.

Malden April 7th, 1894.

To the Secretary of the
Metropolitan Park Commission,

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Dear Sir:--

In accordance with the vote of your board granting to the Malden Park Commission the services of its landscape architects this board would like the services of the same in the preparation of suitable designs for certain of its public grounds and also their advice as to the proper location of proposed new grounds.

Very truly yours,
(signed) Sylvester Baxter
Secretary Malden Park Commission.

Appointments Police, Patrol. 1 The Secretary nominated for patrolmen in the Middlesex Fells, A. C. Quimby of Winchester, Michael E. Lyons of Winchester, William J. Boyce of Melrose, E. C. Myers of Malden, George W. Gilbert of Malden and on motion of Mr Chase it was

Ordered:-- That the appointment by the Secretary of A. C. Quimby of Winchester, Michael E. Lyons of Winchester, William J. Boyce of Melrose, E. C. Myers of Malden and George W. Gilbert of Malden to be patrolmen in the Middlesex Fells Reservation is confirmed on condition that the said nominees are citizens of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

2 On motion of Mr Chase it was

Ordered:— That the Secretary and the Treasurer be a committee to which is referred the selection of a chief of police for the Middlesex Fells Reservation.

3 On motion of Mr Richards the question of the use of the Bear Hill Rifle Range in the Middlesex Fells was referred to the Chairman with full powers.

4 The Secretary was instructed under the direction of the landscape architects to prepare a plan for the taking of the Stony Brook Reservation.

5 The Secretary was also instructed to prepare

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to publish a map and short descriptive text of the Blue Hills, Middlesex Fells and Beaver Brook Reservations for the use of the public.

C. Chandler. A communication was received from Mr. Frank C. Chandler relative to the value of his land in the Middlesex Fells. Said communication was ordered placed on file.

Adjourned at 3.45 to meet on Friday April 13th at 1.30 P.M.

W. S. Conant Secretary.

33rd Apr. 13, 1894. Report of the thirty-third (33rd) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Friday April 13th, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, the Chairman, Messrs Chase and Richards.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

The Secretary reported the number of men employed in the Blue Hills Reservation April 11, as follows:

4 foremen at $2.25 per day
45 labourers " 1.75 " "

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4 foremen at 2.25 per day
34 labourers " 1.75 " "

Appointments C. Police, Special. 2 The Secretary submitted a letter from Mr. H. H. Clayton stating that either he or his assistant, Mr. Ferguson, desired appointment as a special police officer for duty within the Blue Hills Reservation, to serve without pay.

On motion of Mr. Richards, Mr. Ferguson was appointed a special police officer for duty within the Blue Hills Reservation to serve without pay.

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C. Middlesex Fells Spring Co.

A hearing was given to Messrs. A. L. [illegible], President,
1 and Mr. [illegible] Treasurer of the Middlesex Fells Spring Co.
in relation to the use by said Spring Co. of the water [illegible]
means of water supply for the Town of [illegible]

The said [illegible] presented a petition signed by
H. E. Barrett & others asking that said Company may have
the right to use the water for the purposes of water
supply. Said petition was placed on file.

C. Legislation

Mr. [illegible] as the sub committee on Revere Beach, made
2 a report recommending the introduction of a bill prepared
by counsel to the Legislature; explained at length the
purpose of the bill and exhibited plans in further ex-
planation. The report was accepted, the recommendation
of the committee adopted and the Chair instructed to intro-
duce the bill to the Committee of Rules of the Legislature.

Superfluous. Mr. Richards moved that the Commission appear before
the Legislative committees and urge the passage of the bill
3) in relation to the Revere Beach recommended by the sub-com-
mittee on said Beach.

C. Nance.

The following purchases of land made by the Secretary
in the Blue Hills Reservation were approved and ordered paid

4	[illegible] O. Shaw, Trustee	20 3/4 acres	$50. per acre.
5	J. W. Ridiout	2 1/2 "	45. " "
6	Lucena Chadwick	area unknown	50. " "
7	Walter T. Cook	27 acres	20. " "
8	E. W. Hunt	6 "	35. " "
9	Est. [illegible]	12 1/3 "	40. " "

The following purchases of land made by the
Secretary in the ~~[illegible]~~ Middlesex Fells Reservation were approved & ordered paid.

10 Charles J. MacKenzie
C. [illegible] about 28,000 feet of land & building [illegible]

On motion of Mr. [illegible] it was

Ordered:- That the Secretary reduce the
C. Laborers 11 force of laborers in the Blue Hills Reservation on and after
Reconsidered. May 1st, to 18 men and 3 foremen; and in the Middle-
sex Fells Reservation to 12 men and 2 foremen.

1 On motion of Mr. Chase it was

Landscape architects of Board to indicate path from West Quincy to Canton Ave.
c. Path, BHR.

Ordered:-- That the landscape architects of the Board indicate a path from West Quincy to Canton Avenue at the base of the "Great Blue Hill" and that the Secretary be instructed to open said path to public travel.

Communication from Wilfred Rackemann.
c. Overseer

A communication was received from Wilfred
2 Rackemann, Overseer, in relation to his "position" under the Board and compensation for work, which after some consideration, was laid over for one week.

Adjourned at 4.50 to meet on Friday, April 20, at 1.30 P.M.

A. S. Leavitt Secretary

34th
Apr. 20, 1894.

Report of the thirty-fourth (34th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, Rooms 11, 12 & 13 Ames Building, Boston, Friday, April 20th, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs Chase and Richards.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary reported number of men employed.

The Secretary reported the number of
× men employed in the Blue Hills Reservation April 18th, as follows:—

4 foremen at $2.25 per day.
50 laborers " 1.75 " "

In the Middlesex Fells Reservation,

4 foremen at $2.25 per day.
31 laborers " 1.75 " "

Communication from Mayor of Cambridge
Applicants
c. Police, Chief

A communication from William A. Bancroft, Mayor
3 of Cambridge, in relation to Sargent Charles L. Pike, an applicant for the position of Chief of Police of the Middlesex Fells Reservation was submitted by the

Secretary and after discussion was referred with full power to the Chairman & the Secretary.

1 The Secretary submitted the following communication:-

To Mr. C. F. de las Casas?

Chairman &c &c.

I hereby nominate for patrolman of the Middlesex Fells Reservation, Owen A. Lynch, age [illegible]; weight [illegible]; height 5 feet [illegible] inches.

Signed, [illegible]

Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Ordered: That the nomination by the Secretary of Owen A. Lynch to be a patrolman in the Middlesex Fells Reservation is hereby approved.

The Secretary submitted a statement of the
2 financial condition of the Commission up to April 4th. The same was accepted and ordered placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Chase the Secretary was
3 instructed to notify Mr. Mace? to appear at the next meeting of the Board at 2.30 P.M.

On motion of Mr. Richards Mr. Willard
4 Ferguson of the Blue Hill Observatory was appointed a

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special police officer for the Blue Hills Reservation to serve without pay.

The Secretary was instructed to request Mr.
5 E. A. Rice? of Waltham to appear before the Board at its next meeting at 3 P.M.

The Secretary submitted to the Board the wish
6 of the Overseer to retain the Stoneham gang one week beyond May 1st and on motion of Mr. Chase it was ordered that permission be given.

A communication was received from Messrs Bulch? and Rackemann in relation to the title to the
7 land taken by the Commission from [illegible] Mahoney on Washington Street, Canton.

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[illegible] and Rackemann suggesting a certain line of action as to righting a defect in the title and the communication was ordered placed on file, and the Secretary instructed to notify the conveyancers that the Board [illegible] no objections to the course proposed.

1 C. Pierce

Mr. Putnam, Counsel of the Hon. Henry L. Pierce, was given a hearing at which he tendered to the Commission, in behalf of Mr. Pierce, a gift of a large area of land, in the vicinity of three hundred acres, including a large proportion of the shore of Ponkapog Pond and the intervening land between Ponkapog and Hosseic Whissic Ponds. As a considerable portion of this territory is within the limits of the town of Randolph and therefore outside the limits of the district in which the Metropolitan Park Commission has jurisdiction, the matter was taken under advisement and the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Pierce of the grateful appreciation of the Board of his generous gift to the Commonwealth.

2 C. Overseer

The communication from the Overseer which was presented and laid over at the last meeting was taken up and after discussion was referred to the Chairman to report one week hence.

Adjourned at 3.45 to meet on Friday, April 27th at 1.30 P.M.

C. Eliot [illegible] Secretary

35th.
Apr. 27, 1894.

Report of the thirty-fifth (35) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Friday April 27, at 1 P.M.

Present: The Chairman, Messrs. [illegible] and [illegible].

The reading of the records of the [illegible]

was deferred until a special meeting to be held on Monday, April 30th at 9.45 A.M.

The Board adjourned at 1.15 to meet on Monday, April 30, at 9.45 A.M.

H. S. Carruth Secretary

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Apr. 30, 1894.

Report of the thirty-sixth (36th) meeting of the Metropolitan Parks Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Monday April 30th at 9.45 A.M.

Present, The Chairman Messrs C. F. Chase and Richards.

The records of the thirty-fourth (34th) meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary reported number of men employed.

× The Secretary reported the number of men employed April 25th as follows:-

In the Blue Hills Reservation

4 foremen at 2.25 per day

49 laborers " 1.75 " "

In the Middlesex Fells Reservation

4 foremen at 2.25 per day

40 laborers " 1.75 " "

Secretary nominated Thomas H. Killian in Middlesex Fells Reservation.

The Secretary nominated for patrolman in the Middlesex Fells Reservation Thomas H. Killian, weight 176, height 5 feet 11 inches.

Appts. F. L. Patrol.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Nomination of Thomas H. Killian patrolman approved.

Ordered:- That the nomination by the Secretary of Thomas H. Killian of Malden to be a patrolman in the Middlesex Fells Reservation is hereby approved.

Communication from Chief of Police, Blue Hills Reservation.

A communication was received from the

2 Chief of Police of the Blue Hills Reservation notifying the Board of his discharge of Officer Frank H. Sylvada for violation of the rules of the Commission and for willful neglect of duty. Ordered placed on file.

Two communications were laid before the Board by the Secretary from Charles J. McIntire, Attorney for

1 Louis S. Conant and J. H. Farrington in the matter

C. Conant
J. H. Farrington

of lands taken in the Blue Hills Reservation. Both communications were laid on the table and the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. McIntire that the Board would take the matters of his letters under consideration.

A communication was received from Frank E.

2 Chandler in relation to leasing certain lands in

C. Chandler

the Middlesex Fells Reservation. On motion of Mr. Chase the secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Chandler that this Board has no authority to execute leases.

On motion of Mr. Chase the following order of taking in the Stony Brook Reservation was passed:-

Entered by [illegible]

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners
April 30, 1894.

We, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in lands hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local boards, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein

[illegible] Stone [illegible] [illegible]

bounded, the lands and rights in lands, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying upon Bellevue Hill in that part of the city of Boston, in the county of Suffolk, in said Commonwealth, called West Roxbury, shown on plan made by George [illegible] Richardson, dated 1894, marked "Outline of Stony Brook Reservation in Boston," &c., the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is to remain on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, bounded and described as follows, viz:- beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the north-westerly side line of Washington Street with the north-easterly side line of Lagrange Street; thence running north-easterly, bounded south-easterly by said side line of said Washington Street, about 1,380 feet to a point formed by the intersection of said side line of said Washington Street with the north-easterly side line of a street or way laid out by William B. Blakemore over or upon land now or lately his own, being the fourth street or way, beginning at the

Stony Brook Reserv. Bellevue Sect.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners
April 30, 1894.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in lands hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority

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ferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying upon Bellevue Hill in that part of the city of Boston, in the county of Suffolk, in said Commonwealth, called West Roxbury, shown on plan marked "Stony Brook Reservation, Bellevue Section, boundary of lands taken, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects." the original of which is numbered 12 by said Commissioners and is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is to remain on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, bounded and described as follows, viz.: beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the north-westerly side line of Washington Street with the north-easterly side line of Lagrange Street; thence running north-easterly, bounded south-easterly by said side line of said Washington Street, about 1,380 feet to a point formed by the intersection of said side line of said Washington Street with the north-easterly side line of a street or way laid out by William B. Blakemore over or upon land now or lately his own, being the fourth street or way, beginning at the west side and counting towards the east, so laid out by him upon his land; thence turning and running north-westerly by said side line of said private street or way and in the same straight line, continued 743 feet (more or less) to a stake at land of the "Trustees of the Grammar School in the easterly part of the town of Roxbury"; thence westerly by a straight

line to a stake in the division line between said land of said Trustees and land of J. W. Pigott (which point is 145 feet north-west of the point where said land of said Trustees and land of said Pigott and land of J. C. [illegible] join each other at a corner); thence south-westerly by a straight line to a stake in the north-east side line of said Lagrange Street, which stake is at a point where said side line and land of said Hancom and land of William B. Blakemore join; thence south-easterly but more southerly by said north-east side line of said Lagrange Street, by various courses, to the point of beginning.

Excepting, however, so much land included within the lines of the foregoing description as belongs to said city of Boston for purposes of water supply, and also excepting any rights of way and other rights to said excepted parcel appertaining or to said city belonging.

Witness our hands this thirtieth day of April, A.D. 1894.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

On motion of Mr. Richards the following order of Taking in the Stony Brook Reservation was passed.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners
April 30, 1894.

Takings. S.B.R. Taking No. 11 Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in lands hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in

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said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in, and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature belonging, lying in the city of Boston, in the county of Suffolk, in said Commonwealth, shown on plan made by George L. Richardson, dated April 30, 1894, marked "Stony Brook Reservation, Middle Section, boundary of lands taken, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects," the original of which is numbered 22 by said Commissioners and is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is to remain on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, bounded and described as follows, viz: commencing at the northerly corner of the granted premises, on the south-easterly side of Washington Street, at the centre of a stone wall at the westerly corner of land now or formerly belonging to Michael Keegan; thence running south-easterly by said wall three hundred and twenty-five feet to land of Weld heirs; thence turning and running south-westerly by land of Weld heirs four hundred twenty-three and one-half feet to the boundary line between Supple and Dailey; thence turning and running south-easterly, through lands of said Weld heirs, Harvard College, A. P. Blake, lands formerly of C. A. White, then lands of A. P. Blake and lands of heirs of Henry Guew, about twenty-eight hundred and seventy feet to a stake in the boundary

line between said city of Boston and the town of Hyde Park in the county of Norfolk, which boundary line is believed to be the division line between said lands of Grew heirs and lands of A. P. Blake in said Hyde Park; thence turning and running south-westerly along said boundary line between Boston and Hyde Park about nine hundred feet to a boundary stone standing just north-east of Muddy Pond Brook; thence continuing on said boundary line between Boston and Hyde Park about eight hundred and seventy feet to the easterly corner of land of Eliot School Fund; thence turning and running north-westerly, bounded south-westerly by said land of Eliot School Fund, to said Washington Street; thence turning and running north-easterly, bounded north-westerly by the line of said Washington Street, to the point of beginning.

Witness our hands this thirtieth day of April, A. D. 1894.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

Takings, S.B.R.

On motion of Mr. Chase the following order of Taking in the Stony Brook Reservation was passed:

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners
April 30, 1894.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in lands hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers, and limitations set forth in said act,

[illegible] 30, 1894 [illegible]

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying in Hyde Park, in the county of Norfolk, in said Commonwealth, shown on plan made by George L. Richardson, dated April 30, 1894, marked "Stony Brook Reservation, Hyde Park section, boundary of lands taken, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects," the original of which is numbered 10 by said Commissioners and is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is to remain on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, bounded and described as follows, viz.: commencing at a stake at a point on the north-westerly side of River Street in said Hyde Park, on the boundary line between lands of Clarence L. Stevens and Mrs. Island; thence running in a north-westerly direction through lands of Island and Safford about twelve hundred and sixty feet to a stake in the stone wall on the dividing line between lands of Safford and of the town of Hyde Park, and land of A. P. Bickmore (formerly of Whiting heirs); thence turning and running in a north-easterly direction through lands of said Bickmore and lands of Robert Bleakie, S. A. Bradbury, Jacob H. Seaver, Charles H. Cunnett, Real Estate and Building Com-

pany, and heirs of George Hail, respectively (crossing
at roadway), about twenty-six hundred and twenty feet
to land of the Real Estate and Building Company at
a point eleven hundred and forty-six feet distant
south-easterly from the northerly corner of land of
said heirs of Hail; then turning and running north-
westerly on the boundary line between said lands
of heirs of Hail and the Real Estate and Building
Company eleven hundred and forty-six feet to the
northerly corner of land of said heirs of Hail, and
to the other land of the Real Estate and Building
Company; thence continuing north-westerly by said
other land of the Real Estate and Building Company
about three hundred and ten feet to land of A. P.
Blake; thence continuing north-westerly on boundary
line between A. P. Blake and the Real Estate and Building
Company, and A. P. Bickmore and A. P. Blake, fifteen
hundred and thirty feet to the boundary line between
the city of Boston, in the county of Suffolk, and said
town of Hyde Park; then turning and running north-
easterly on said boundary line between Boston and
Hyde Park about seventeen hundred and eighty feet
to a boundary stone standing just north-easterly
of Muddy Pond Brook; then continuing north-easterly
on said boundary line by land of A. P. Blake in
Hyde Park about nine hundred feet to land of
heirs of Henry Grew in Hyde Park; then turning
and running south-easterly through lands of A.
P. Blake, J. C. Sharp, Grew heirs, and H. C. Sharp,
about eighteen hundred and forty feet to the southerly
corner of land of said H. C. Sharp, at land of A. P.
Blake and H. M. and C. S. Thompson; thence turn-
ing and running south-easterly, more easterly, on
boundary line between A. P. Blake on the west
and H. M. and C. S. Thompson, and Grew heirs,
and the Saco and Biddeford Savings Bank, and

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the east; thence turning and running southerly and south-easterly by an irregular line, on the boundary between lands of A. P. Blake and Green heirs, on the west, and the Saco and Biddeford Savings Bank on the east, to land of John G. Smith; then turning and running south-westerly by a straight line across land of said Smith sixty feet to the northerly corner of land of Cox heirs; thence south-westerly by the north-westerly boundary of Cox land two hundred and seventy-six feet through the westerly corner of said land of Cox heirs to the west side line of a roadway; then turning and running south-easterly by a straight line across land of J. G. Smith about four hundred and forty-five feet to the northerly corner of Brainard and Cleveland streets; thence turning and running south-westerly by the north-westerly boundary of Brainard Street and by a straight line in continuation thereof, crossing Glenwood Avenue, one thousand feet to a stake; thence turning and running south-easterly by a line at right angles to Dedham street about two hundred and thirty feet to Dedham Street; thence turning and running south-westerly by the north-westerly boundary of Dedham Street and by a straight line in continuation thereof about sixteen hundred and twenty feet to a stake; thence turning and running by the continuation of the north-easterly line of a street or way shown on said plan leading from River Street; and by the north-easterly line of said way, about eleven hundred and thirty feet to said River Street; thence turning and running south-westerly by the north-westerly line of River Street, as the same curves, about four hundred feet to the point of beginning.

Witness our hands this thirtieth day

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Adjourned at 10.45 A.M. to meet on Friday, May 4th, at 1, P.M.

H. S. Carruth Secretary.

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Report of the thirty-seventh (37th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the office of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Friday, May 4th, at 1 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs. P. A. Chase and Richards.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary reported number of men employed.

The Secretary reported the number of men employed, as follows;

In the Blue Hills Reservation,

3 Foremen	at	$2.25	per day
18 Laborers	"	1.75	" "

In the Middlesex Fells Reservation,

4 Foremen	at	2.25	per day
21 Laborers	"	1.75	" "

Request from Adams Temple and School Fund, Quincy

The Secretary submitted to the Board a request from the Adams Temple and School Fund for a

1 proposition from this Board for settlement for the lands taken by this Board from the said Fund in the city of Quincy in the Blue Hills Reservation, and on motion of Mr. Chase it was

Adams Temple & School Fund

Ordered:— That the Secretary be authorized to offer $85.00 per acre for said lands.

2 A hearing was given Mr. E. F. Pierce at which he explained at length his position as

to the lands taken from him by this Commission in the Beaver Brook Reservation. The Board took the matter under advisement.

1 C. Mace

A hearing was given to Mr. Mace in relation to his establishment at Spot Pond in the Middlesex Fells Reservation and on motion of Mr. Chase it was

Ordered; -- That the Secretary notify Mr. Mace that he may continue to serve out his lease, which this Board understands to be until October 1st next, under the following conditions:--

First:- To keep an orderly resort.

Second:- No Sunday concerts to be allowed and all entertainments to be closed at 11 P.M.

Third:- Mr. Mace to pay the expenses of an officer at all entertainments.

Fourth:- This permit is revokable in case the Board deem the conditions above stated not complied with or on receipt of complaints considered by the Board to be justifiable.

Communication from Mr. F.C. Manchester relating to Winchester Parkway.

2 C. Winchester Op. Spot Pond

A communication was received from F.C. Manchester, Chairman of the Winchester Park Commission, relating to the construction of a parkway in the town of Winchester and the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Manchester that this Board would be glad to consider the matter if it is a part of a general scheme affecting the Metropolitan District. The communication was ordered placed on file.

Communication from J. W. French in relation to Hemlock Gorge.

3 C. H.G.R. C. Takings H.G.R.

A communication was received from James W. French in relation to the preservation of Hemlock Gorge on the Charles River in the vicinity of Newton Upper Falls. The communication was placed on file and on motion of Mr. Chase the Secretary and landscape architects were directed to prepare plans of a desirable taking at Hemlock Gorge.

A communication was received from [illegible] and others, being the Water Board of the town of Winchester, tendering the care and controls of the Winchester Water Reservations within the lines of the Middlesex Fells Reservation to this Board and on motion of Mr. Chase the Secretary was instructed to acknowledge the receipt of the letter and accept the said care and control.

1 C. Winchester Water Res.

A letter was received from Miss Cornelia Horsford of Cambridge in relation to the alleged graves of

2 Norsemen in the Beaver Brook Reservation. On motion of Mr. Chase the whole matter was referred to Mr. Richards, the chairman of the sub-committee on the said Reservation, with full powers.

C. Norsemen

A communication was received from the Boston Rubber

3 Shoe Company asking permission to remove about 100 loads of building stone from the two lots of stone shown to Mr. Chase, and agreed upon by him with said Company. On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was directed to issue a permit for the removal of said stone.

C. Boston Rubber Shoe Co.

A communication was received from John Westcott, Captain Company E. 5th Regiment, M. V. M. asking permission for the use of the range heretofore used by them in the city of Medford within the limits of the Middlesex Fells, on the morning of May 30th for rifle practice and on motion of Mr. Richards it was

C. [illegible] Range A

Ordered:-- That the Secretary issue a permit to said Captain Westcott for the use of said range provided that both sides and the target end of the said range shall be securely picketed and that at least one commissioned officer shall be present during the entire time of the use of the said range by said Company, and further, that this permit is issued with the understanding that this is the last use that can be made of said range for rifle

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practice.

1 On motion of Mr. Chase the Secretary was authorized to make a contract for the building of a wall at the Beaver Brook at not exceeding $1.50 per running yard.

C. Wall. B.B.R.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

2 Ordered:-- That the Secretary be instructed, in consultation with the engineers, to procure and submit preliminary plans for a roadway or boulevard connecting the Middlesex Fells with the central part of the Metropolitan District.

3 On motion of Mr. Chase it was

Secretary to prepare plans taking of boulevard Broadway, Somerville

C. M.F.R.

C. Takings M.F.R.

Ordered:-- That the Secretary be instructed to prepare plans for the taking of lands for a boulevard from Broadway, Somerville, to the Middlesex Fells as per the plan submitted by Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot.

4 On motion of Mr. Chase it was

Secretary and Landscape architects to prepare plans for roadway connecting Stony Brook & Blue Hills Reservation

C. M.F.R.

Ordered:-- That the Secretary and landscape architects be instructed to prepare preliminary plans for a roadway or boulevard or parkway connecting the Stony Brook and Blue Hills Reservations.

5 It was also ordered on motion of Mr. Richards

for parkway connecting Lynn Woods & Nahant Beach with Middlesex Fells

C. L.W.R.

That the Secretary and landscape architects prepare preliminary plans for a parkway or boulevard connecting the Lynn Woods and Nahant Beach with the Middlesex Fells.

Communication from ...

C. Surveys

6 A communication was received from Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot in relation to the topographical surveys to be made in the various reservations. The said communication was ordered placed on file and on motion of Mr. Chase, the Secretary was ordered to put himself into communication with desirable parties for the making of said surveys.

Communication from Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot in relation to approaches to Middlesex Fells Reservation.

C. Approaches M.F.R. 7

A communication was received from Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot in relation to the approaches

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A communication was received from Messrs. Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot in relation to [illegible] addi-

1 tions to the Blue Hills Reservation. Said commu-

C. 747. nication was read and ordered to lie on table.

A communication was read by the Secretary

2 from Mr. Alfred Buckmann, Overseer, in relation to the

Salary Overseer. matter of his salary. After reading, the communication was ordered placed on file and on motion of Mr. Chase it was

Ordered:— That the salary of Alfred Buckmann, Overseer, be fixed at the sum of $[illegible] per annum from May 1st, 1894.

A communication was received from Elmer

3 P. Howe in relation to a certain spring taken from the Lynn [illegible] Park [illegible] and Trust Company. The communication was read and ordered placed on file.

Adjourned at 5.45 P.M., to meet on Friday, May 11, at [illegible].30.

A. S. [illegible] Secretary.

38th May 11, 1894. Record of the thirty eighth (38th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Friday May 11th at [illegible] P.M.

Present, The Chairman [illegible]

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

The Secretary reported the number of men employed as follows:—

In the Blue Hills Reservation

[illegible] [illegible] — $2.25 per day

13 Laborers — 1.75 " "

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In the Middlesex Fells Reservation
4 Foremen at 2.25 per day
20 Laborers " 1.75 " "

Notification of organization of Revere Park Board. 1
Revere Parks Com.

A communication was received from the Board of Park Commissioners of the town of Revere notifying this Board of their organization by the choice of F. O. Sargent as Chairman and John B. Seward as Secretary. Ordered placed on file.

Communication from Roswell B. Lawrence in relation to flag raising.
2
Flags.

A communication was received from Mr Roswell B. Lawrence notifying this Board that certain citizens of Stoneham will provide and erect a fifty feet flagpole on Bear Hill on Saturday afternoon May 19th, and that on the same occasion the Appalachian Mountain Club will present an American flag and extending an invitation to the members of the Board, the landscape architects and the Secretary to be present and suggesting that the Commission provide a State flag also. The communication was read and the Secretary instructed to notify Mr Lawrence that as many of the Board as possible will accept the invitation.

On motion of Mr Chase it was

Secretary authorized to purchase a State flag to be raised on Bear Hill

Ordered:-- That the Secretary be authorized to purchase a State flag to be raised on a flagpole on Bear Hill, the consent of the Stoneham Park Board being first obtained.

3
Tannery site

A communication was received from Mr F. H. Manchester, dated May 9th, in relation to the matter of the Tannery site at Winchester and the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr Manchester that the Board would be pleased to give him a hearing at its next meeting, May 18th, at 3 P.M.

Request from Ernest C. Frost to keep a refreshment stand.
4
Refreshment stands M.F.R.

A communication was received from Ernest C. Frost of Stoneham requesting permission to keep a refreshment stand at the junction of Ravine Road and Washington Street, Stoneham

in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. On motion of Mr. Chase it was

Ordered:— That the Secretary notify Mr. Frost that the Board is unwilling to grant such requests at this time.

A communication was received from the clerk
1 of the Committee on Streets of the Board of Aldermen of the city of Waltham asking information as to how far the said Committee have rights in laying out streets over park lands at Beaver Brook. The communication was read and ordered placed on file and the Secretary was instructed to reply referring them to the Attorney General.

The Secretary nominated for patrolman
2 in Section II of the Blue Hills Reservation Charles Page of Hyde Park. On motion of Mr. Chase the matter was laid over one week.

Communication from F. M. Stone in relation land, Hon. John M. Forbes.

A communication was received from
3 Mr. F. M. Stone, representing Hon. John M. Forbes, in relation to land taken by this Commission in the Blue Hills Reservation. On motion of Mr. Chase the matter was placed on file.

A petition was received from J. G. B.
4 Adams, W. E. Symonds and a large number of other signers, citizens of Lynn, requesting the laying out and construction of a suitable roadway or boulevard connecting the Reservation known as Oceanside, in Lynn, and Nahant Beach with the large forest reservation in said Lynn and the Middlesex Fells. The petition was ordered placed on file and the Secretary instructed to acknowledge the receipt of the same and to state that the Board will give the matter careful consideration.

On motion of Mr. Chase the matter
5 of the employment of a Superintendent of the

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Beaver Brook Reservation was referred to Mr. Richards and the Secretary with full powers.

1 On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Ordered:-- That the salary of the Secretary of this Board be at the rate of four thousand dollars ($4000.) per annum beginning May 1st, 1894.

Adjourned at 4.55 P.M. to meet on Friday, May 18th, at 1.30 P.M.

A. Hewett, Secretary.

39th May 18, 1894.

Report of the thirty-ninth (39th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, May 18th at 1.30 P.M.

Present, the Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase, A. L. Richards and W. L. Chase.

The Secretary reported the number of men employ at the close of business, May 16, as follows:--

In the Blue Hills Reservation,

3 foremen	at	2.25	per day
19 laborers	"	1.75	" "

In the Middlesex Fells Reservation

3 foremen	at	2.25	" "
17 laborers	"	1.75	" "

The Secretary read a communication from the

C. General Court Finance Cte. 2 Finance Committee requesting the presence of the Board on Tuesday, May 22nd, at 11.30. Ordered placed on file.

The Secretary submitted a communication from

3 H. S. Tucker in relation to property owned by his wife

C. Tucker within the limits of the Middlesex Fells Reservation stating that inasmuch as his offer of 25% above the assessed valuation has been refused he had placed

in the hands of his attorney to bring suit.

1 A communication was received from Mr. John T. Langford inviting the members of the Commission to a public meeting to be held in Eliot Hall in Newton on Thursday evening, May 24th at which the question of the improvement of the Charles River would be discussed. The Secretary was instructed to accept the invitation and the communication was ordered placed on file.

A communication was received from Mr. Lyman Dike in relation to the extension of South Street from Main Street

2 in Stoneham to Winchester. The Secretary was instructed to reply to Mr. Dike that the plans were not yet sufficiently advanced to make any definite answer to his inquiries and that he must use his own discretion as to his future action. Ordered placed on file.

3 On the motion of Mr. P.A. Chase it was

Ordered:-- That the Secretary prepare plans of taking for the West Roxbury Parkway from the Bellevue Section of the Stony Brook Reservation to Weld Street, according to plans of Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, and submit the same to the action of this Board.

Meetings 4 On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Ordered:-- That the meetings of this Board, until further notice, beginning with the 1st of June shall be held on Thursdays at 1.30 o'clock.

5 On motion of Mr. de las Casas it was

Ordered:-- That the matter of ascertaining the values of Revere Beach be referred to Mr. P.A. Chase and the values of the Charles River lands to Mr. Richards.

6 A communication was received from the Chief of Police of the Blue Hills Reservation dated May 8th making a general report upon the discharge of duty by the force in that Reservation. The communication was ordered placed on file.

Reports of Police Dept.

7 A communication was received from Mr. Charles

[illegible] from Rackemann re entrance Blue Hills. S. Rackemann, dated May 18th, calling attention of the Commission
to the immediate public demand for some means of getting
into the Blue Hills from the Canton Avenue side. The
communication was read and ordered placed on file and
on motion of Mr. Chase it was

[illegible] Ordered:— That the Secretary be instructed to
employ not exceeding 25 men and necessary foremen, for
road building in the Blue Hills Reservation, the expense
to be charged to the Boulevard appropriation.

On motion of Mr. Chase it was, also

[illegible] Ordered:— That the Secretary be in-
structed to employ not exceeding 25 men and
necessary foremen for road building in the Middlesex
C. Roads and Streets. M.F.R. Fells Reservation, the expense to be charged to the
Boulevard appropriation.

[illegible] Manchester hearing Mr. F. C. Manchester was given a hearing by
2 the Board upon the matter of the improvement of the
C. Mystic Valley condition of the upper Mystic valley especially in the
town of Winchester. At the conclusion of the hearing
the Board voted to visit the locality on Tuesday, May
22nd.

Adjourned at 4.40 to meet on Friday, May
25th, at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Carruth Secretary.

40th
May 25, 1894. Report of the fortieth (40th) meeting of the
Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Com-
mission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston,
Friday, May 25th at 1.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman; Messrs. P. A. Chase, A. L.
Richards and W. L. Chase.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and
accepted.

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Secretary reports men employed.—

The Secretary reported the number of men employed at the close of business May 23rd, as follows:—

In the Blue Hills Reservation
5 foremen at 2.25 per day
[illegible] laborers " 1.75 " "

In the Middlesex Fells Reservation
5 foremen at 2.25 " "
17 laborers " 1.75 " "

Communication from the Boards of Middlesex Fells re. Spot Pond and Reservation—

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Joint Water Boards of the Middlesex Fells containing the following:—

"Voted, That an agreement be made with the Metropolitan Park Commission for the care and preservation of the territory adjacent to Spot Pond taken by the cities of Malden and Medford and the town of Melrose under their water acts, in accordance with suggestions of your Board, and a Committee was appointed to prepare rules and regulations for the consummation of such agreement.

Yours truly,
E. A. Stevens, v, Sec'y,
[illegible] B."

Ordered placed on file

Communication from Mr. Edward Atkinson re. Brookline

2 A communication was received from Mr. Edward Atkinson in relation to certain marsh land in the South part of the town of Brookline. The communication was referred to the landscape architects to report at their convenience.

Communication from Mr. F. C. Manchester re. N.S.

A communication was received from Mr.
3 F. C. Manchester, dated May 25th, 1894, and on motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Manchester that the Board, while in general pleased with the scheme, sees no way to act on the matter of his letter before June 1st. The communication was ordered placed on file.

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C. Wyman

A communication was received from Mr Arthur
1 L. Wyman stating that it would be impossible for him
to be present at the meeting on May 25 owing to the
fact that his counsel was absent from the city.
The communication was ordered placed on file and the
Secretary instructed to notify Mr. Wyman that the
Board would give him a hearing at its next
meeting, June 1st.

Communication from Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot.

C. MFP.

A communication was received from Messrs
2 Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot transmitting a preliminary
plan for that section of the proposed Fells parkway
which extends from Middlesex Avenue Bridge to Pleasant
street. The communication was ordered placed on file.

C. Engineer. 3

Board to employ an engineer to take charge of work done under Boulevard Act.

On motion of Mr P. A. Chase it was

Ordered:-- That the Board employ an
engineer to take charge of work to be done under
the Boulevard Act.

4

[illegible] a sub-committee [illegible] applicants of position of Engineer.

C. Engineer

On motion of Mr P. A. Chase it was further

Ordered:-- That the Chairman be a sub-
committee to investigate and report upon applicants
for the position of engineer, as provided in the previous
order, and to bring the Board into communication
with such as are suitable for the position.

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Surveyor to be [illegible] to [illegible] Woods --

C. Lwy
C. LFP.

On motion of Mr W. L. Chase it was

Ordered:-- That a surveyor be employed
to prepare plans to illustrate the feasibility of a
boulevard from Middlesex Fells to Lynn Woods and
from the Lynn Woods to Nahant Beach and Oceanside
via Washington Street.

Adjourned at 4.50 P.M. to meet on Friday,
June 1st, at 1.30 P.M.

A. S. Cannon [?] Secretary.

[illegible]

41st June 1, 1894

Report of the forty-first (41st) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission held at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Friday, June 1st at 1.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase and Richards.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Employees. The Secretary reported the number of men employed as follows:--

On the Blue Hills Reservation
[illegible] foremen at 2.25 per day
17 laborers " 1.75 " "
On the Middlesex Fells Reservation.
3 foremen at 2.25 per day
17 laborers " 1.75. " "

Communication from Middlesex Fells Spring Co. A communication, dated May 25th, was received from Mr. A. C. Sibley, President of the Middlesex Fells Spring Company, submitting a proposition in relation to the use of land taken from them within the limits of the Middlesex Fells Reservation. On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the communication was ordered placed on file and the Secretary was instructed to request the landscape architects to advise the Board if it would not be possible to abandon the land taken from said Middlesex Fells Spring Co.

Communication from Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot. Brookline. A communication was received from Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot reporting upon a suggestion contained in a communication from Mr. Edward Atkinson, dated May 21st, 1894, relating to certain marsh land in the south part of the town of Brookline. The landscape architects reported that in their judgment this is a matter for local action and the Secretary was instructed to communicate with Mr. Atkinson that this Board has, at the present time, so many matters under consideration requiring its immediate attention that it will be

A.M. June 1, 1894 con.- impossible for them to give any consideration to this matter and recommending that it be brought to the attention of the local authorities of the town of Brookline.

Three communications from Mr. F. C. Manchester. Three communications were received from Mr. F. C. Manchester, two of which related to the Mystic Valley question already discussed by this Board, and C. M.V.P. one on the matter of the rules of this Board governing the use of the Reservation. The three communications were ordered placed on file.

No work other than of necessity on Sundays or holidays. 2 On motion of Mr. Chase it was

Ordered:-- That no work be performed C. Sundays C. Holidays otherwise than of necessity by the forces in the employ of this Commission on Sundays or holidays.

Mr. Arthur L. Wyman given a hearing. A hearing was given to Mr. Arthur L. Wyman 3 and his counsel on the matter of the land taken C. Wyman from said Wyman in the town of Winchester within the limits of the Middlesex Fells Reservation. After a protracted statement of the case from Mr. Wyman's standpoint the following order was passed on motion of Mr. Chase.

[illegible] Ordered:-- That the question of Mr. Wyman's line be investigated by the Commission, the landscape architects and Mr. Wyman together on the ground and that the hearing be closed.

4 On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Landscape Architects [illegible] N. L. Stebbins, views of scenery of Metropolitan District. Ordered:- That the landscape architects be authorized to obtain from Mr. N. L. Stebbins, C. Photographs. photographer, twenty of his so called panoramic views of the scenery of the Metropolitan Reservations at a cost not exceeding ten dollars apiece. Mr. Stebbins to retain the copyright, it being understood that the Commission shall reserve the right to use the above views in the reports of the Commission and also the right to additional copies at not exceeding [illegible] dollars [illegible].

1 On motion of Mr. Chase it was

Ordered: That the Secretary be authorized to employ surveyors to obtain levels and profiles on the route proposed by the landscape architects for the Fells Parkway.

2 A communication was received from George A. Deaney, dated May 25, in relation to the estate of Charles Robinson, which communication was referred to the Secretary.

Adjourned at 5 P.M. to meet on Thursday, June 7 at 1.30 P.M.

A. S. Cowell Secretary.

42nd
June 7, 1894.

Report of the forty-second (42nd) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission held at the office of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, June 7th, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, the Chairman, Messrs. P. A. Chase and Richards.

The reading of the records of the preceding meeting was dispensed with.

The Secretary reported the number of men employed in the several Reservations at the close of business June 6, as follows:--

In the Blue Hills Reservation

3 foremen at 2.25 per day

17 laborers " 1.75 " "

In the Middlesex Fells Reservation

2 foremen at 2.25 per day

18 laborers " 1.75 " "

3 A communication was laid before the Board by the Secretary from Mr. F. C. Winchester in relation to the Bacon estate in Winchester. Also a plan of the Bacon property. The communication was laid over for one week; and the Secretary was in-

42nd June 7, 1894 cor. — [illegible] to [illegible] the engineers' make a copy of the plan.

C. Camping

1 A communication was received from Mr. George L. Chandler of Auburndale requesting permission to camp at different times and to build a fire within the limits of the Blue Hills Reservation. On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was instructed to communicate with Mr. Chandler and to state to him the impossibility of granting his request.

Request from Mr. Quigley for loose stone [illegible]

C. Stone

The Secretary submitted a request from Mr. Quigley of Winchester [illegible] the loose stone in the quarry
2 lately taken from him by the Commission in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. The Secretary was instructed to have Mr. Rackemann the Overseer, notify Quigley that he may take what loose stone exists in the quarry but on the understanding that no splitting or blasting of the stone will be allowed, also, it is understood that said Quigley is to complete his work within ninety days.

Communication from E. C. Bumpus, Attorney for Quincy Quarry Co.

C. Quincy Quarry Co.
C. Owners (Not named or unknown)

A communication was received from Mr. E. C.
3 Bumpus, Attorney for the Quincy Quarry Company, suggesting the desirability of referring the claim of the said Quarry Company against the Commonwealth to referees and suggesting certain names, also suggesting the reference of the claim of certain mill owners to rights in Hoosic Whisick Pond to Mr. Felix Rackemann as referee. On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Bumpus that the Board will be glad to hear the parties in interest personally or by counsel but they deem it inadvisable to refer any question of settlement at the present time.

Order of January 12 [illegible]
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C. Rules.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

4 Ordered:— That the order passed by this Board at its meeting held January 12, 1894, as follows:—

"Ordered:— That this Board hereby fix the penalty for any breach of its regulations posted in its various Reservations taken or to be taken

Rules, cont. — Penalties for breach of regulations.

1 … $20. for each breach thereof." is hereby repealed.
On motion of Mr. Richards it was
Ordered:-- That this Board hereby fixes the penalties for any breach of its regulations posted in its various Reservations taken or to be taken at not less than five dollars or more than twenty dollars.

Maps, Guide — Com. Messrs. Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot.

2 A communication was received from Messrs. Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot accompanying a map of the Blue Hills previously ordered by the Commission. The landscape architects suggested that they be authorized to incur an expense of not exceeding six hundred dollars ($600.) for obtaining similar maps of the Middlesex Fells and Stony Brook Reservations. The communication was placed on file and on motion of Mr. Richards it was

Maps, Guide — Landscape Architects authorized to incur expense not exceeding $600. for plans.

3 Ordered:-- That the landscape architects be authorized to incur an expense of not exceeding six hundred ($600.) for the preparation of plans of the Middlesex Fells and Stony Brook Reservations similar to the plan previously prepared of the Blue Hills Reservation.

Horses — Beaver Brook Reservation.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was
4 Ordered: That the Secretary be authorized to buy a horse, harness and tip-cart for use in the Beaver Brook Reservation at a price not exceeding two hundred dollars ($200.)

Appointments — Police, Patrol — Robert Elder appointed police officer, Beaver Brook Reservation.

5 On motion of Mr. Richards it was
Ordered:— That Mr. Robert Elder be appointed police officer within of the Beaver Brook Reservation without additional pay.

Adjourned at 3.30 to meet on Thursday, June 14, at 2.30 P.M.

[illegible signature] Secretary.

43rd
June 21, 1894

Report of the forty-third (43rd) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, rooms 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Thursday, June 21st at 1.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase and Richards.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary reported number of men employed.

The Secretary reported the number of men employed as follows:--

In the Blue Hills Reservation

3 foremen	at	2.25 per day
19 laborers	"	1.75 " "

Boulevard Department

18 laborers	at	1.75 " "

In the Middlesex Fells Reservation

3 foremen	at	2.25 per day
16 laborers	"	1.75 " "

Boulevard Department

1 foremen	at	2.25 " "
18 "	"	1.75 " "

Secretary submitted sched. of cost of ... cottage in ... Brook –
C. Dwellings 1

The Secretary submitted a schedule of the cost of the repairs upon the cottage house within the Beaver Brook Reservation and upon motion of Mr P. A. Chase it was

... in order.

Ordered:-- That the Secretary be authorized to put the house in the Beaver Brook Reservation in order at an expense not exceeding $1000.

Communication from Solicitor of Malden. 2
C. Malden, City

A communication was presented from the city Solicitor of Malden relating to the claim of the said city for damages for the rifle range, known as the Bear's Den Range, taken by the Commission within the Middlesex Fells. The same was referred to the Secretary to consult counsel as to the rights of the city and the Commission in the matter.

3
C. B.P.C.

The following vote of the Board of Park Commissioners of the city of Boston was submitted.

"Voted, that in the opinion of this Board some part of the loan of $500,000. for boulevards should be expended on the south side of the city, and we, therefore, respectfully request the Metropolitan Park Commissioners to appropriate a sufficient sum of the $500,000. appropriated for boulevards to the widening of Mattapan street from Mattapan to the Blue Hill Reservation in extension of Blue Hill Avenue which is to be widened by the city from Grove Hall to Mattapan." The matter was referred to the landscape architects to report.

Communication from Wilbur H. Powers Atty. for Sargent & Cunningham.

1 A communication was received from Mr. Wilbur H. Powers, Attorney for Sargent and Cunningham, lessees of the Langwood Hotel, in relation to claim of damages on account of taking of certain lands in the Middlesex Fells of which they allege that they hold a lease. The matter was referred to the Secretary.

Communication from Balch and Rackemann.

2 A communication was received from Messrs. Balch and Rackemann submitting a schedule of titles examined for the Commission. The same was ordered placed on file.

Proposition to settle claim from John R. Lawrence.

3 The Secretary submitted a proposition of John R. Lawrence of Milton to settle his claim for standing wood upon the tract of land lately belonging to Royal T. Mann for $250.00 The Secretary was authorized to settle said claim for the above stated amount.

Petition from citizens of Lynn.

4 A petition was received from Joshua F. Story and others, citizens of the eastern portion of Lynn asking that this Board lay out as a public park land lying between New Ocean Street and the sea. On motion of Mr. Chase the petition was placed on file.

Communications from F. C. Manchester.

5 Two communications were received from Mr. F. C. Manchester in relation to the Mystic Valley Parkway, and were ordered placed on file. On motion of Mr. Chase it was

[illegible] Ordered: — That the landscape architects prepare sketch plans of a parkway from the Middlesex Fells through Winchester along the Mystic Lakes to West Medford.

On motion of Mr P. A. Chase it was

Secretary authorized to sell grass at public auction Ordered: — That the Secretary is hereby

1 authorized to see at public auction all tracts of

c. Grass. standing grass within the Reservations of this Commission.

Communication from Winthrop Park Commissioners A communication was received from the Board of

2 Park Commissioners of the town of Winthrop in relation

c. Winthrop, Rel. Op. Sp. to the open spaces in said town. On motion of Mr Richards it was referred to the next meeting.

Communication from A. Lawrence Rotch. A communication from Mr A. Lawrence Rotch, Director

3 of the Blue Hills Observatory, was received and presented con-

c. Blue Hill Meteorol. Observatory taining a proof of the Introduction to this year's report. The matter relating to the taking of the Blue Hills Reservation was read and the Secretary was instructed to state to Mr Rotch that they had no criticism to make.

[illegible] On motion of Mr P. A. Chase, the Secretary was

4 authorized to purchase a horse for the use of the

c. Horses. Overseer of the Middlesex Fells Reservation at a price not to exceed $150.

5 On motion of Mr Richards it was

Matter of Middlesex Fells Spring Co. referred to Chairman Ordered: — That the matter of the Middlesex

c. M. Fells Spring Co. Fells Spring Company be referred to the Chairman with full powers.

6 On motion of Mr Richards it was

Settlement of claim of Arthur L. Wyman referred to P. A. Chase. Ordered: — That the question of the settle-

c. Wyman ment of the claim of Arthur L. Wyman be referred to Mr P. A. Chase, with full powers.

Adjourned at 4.55 P.M. to meet on Thursday, June 28th, at [illegible]30 P.M.

H. S. Carruth Secretary.

44th
June 28 1894.

Report of the forty-fourth (44th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission numbers 111, 112, and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Thursday, June 28th, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase and Richards.

The reading of the records of the preceding meeting was dispensed with.

Number of men employed. ×

The Secretary reported the number of men employed as follows:—

In the Blue Hills Reservation

5 foremen at 2.25 per day
16 laborers " 1.75 " "

Boulevard Department

1 foreman at 2.25 " "
20 laborers " 1.75 " "

In the Middlesex Fells Reservation.

5 foremen at 2.25 per day
18 laborers " 1.75 " "

Boulevard Department

1 foreman at 2.25 " "
16 laborers " 1.75 " "

Nominations for patrolmen for Stony Brook Reservation. Applicants Police, Patrol. 1

The Secretary nominated for patrolmen in the Stony Brook Reservation, Henry E. Williams and James Galvin. The nominations were laid over.

Letter from Elihu Hayes in behalf citizens of Lynn. 2 Lynn, Pub. Op. Sp.

The Secretary read a letter from Elihu B. Hayes in behalf of certain citizens of Lynn relating to the petition of Lynn and Swampscott citizens for a park between between New Ocean Street and the sea. The communication was ordered placed on file.

A. M. Bates. Newton, Pub. Op. Sp. 3

A communication from Mr. A. M. Bates, of Newton, in relation to certain lands along the Charles River was read by the Secretary and was ordered referred to the landscape architects.

4 Landscape architects prepare plans parkway

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Ordered:-- That the landscape architects prepare plans of a parkway from the Mystic

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River to Revere Beach and from the termination of the proposed boulevard on Revere Beach to Lynn.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

C. Maps. District 1 — Ordered:— That the landscape architects prepare and report such a plan of the Metropolitan District as in their judgment is advisable to be incorporated in the next annual report.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

c. Committees 2 — c. Finances, Secty. — Ordered:— That Mr. P. A. Chase and Mr. W. L. Chase be a committee to audit the books and the method of keeping the records in the office of the Secretary.

3 — c. McGeough — A proposition was submitted by the Secretary through Mr. Charles E. Shattuck offering the land belonging to Mr. Arthur N. McGeough, near Spot Pond in the Middlesex Fells, at ten cents per square foot. The Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Shattuck that the Commission considered the price altogether too high and are compelled to decline the offer.

Adjourned at 5 P.M. to meet on Tuesday, July 3 at 11 A.M.

A. S. Carruth Secretary.

45th
July 3, 1894.

Report of the forty-fifth (45th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Tuesday, July 3, 1894, at 11 A.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase, Richards and W. L. Chase.

The reading of the records of the preceding meeting was dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Richards

Question of adjustment of claims of certain mill owners to Houghton's Pond & claim of Quincy Quarry Company referred to Counsel — c. Quincy Quarry Co. c. Counsel 4 — Ordered:— That the question of adjustment of the claim of certain mill owners to

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[illegible] Pond and the claim of the [illegible] Quarry Company for lands taken be referred to the Counsel of the Commission.

Adjourned, at 12.45 to meet Thursday July 5th at 1.30 P.M.

A. S. Carruth Secretary

46th
July 5, 1894.

Report of the forty-sixth (46th) meeting of the Metropolitan Parks Commission held on Thursday, July 5th, at 1.30 P.M. at the offices of the Commission.

Present; The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase, Richards and W. de las Casas.

On motion of Mr. W. de las Casas it was

[illegible] Engineer

Ordered:-- That the Chairman be authorized to employ an engineer to take charge of the work on the Malden-Somerville Boulevard as soon as ready to begin thereon.

On motion of Mr. [illegible] it was

[illegible]

Ordered:-- That as soon as work is ready on the Malden-Somerville Boulevard, it be started by days work.

Adjourned at 3.45 P.M. to meet on Thursday July 12, at 10.30 A.M.

A. S. Carruth Secretary.

47th
July 12, 1894.

Report of the forty-seventh (47th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Thursday, July 12, at 10.30 A.M.

Present; The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase and Richards.

The records of the forty fifth and forty-sixth meetings were read and accepted.

The Secretary reported the number of men employed, as follows:--

Blue Hills Reservation

3 Foremen, 18 Laborers

Boulevard Department

1 Foreman 25 Laborers.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

3 Foremen 18 Laborers

Boulevard Department

1 Foreman 22 Laborers.

The Secretary submitted a schedule of land
1 purchases in the Blue Hills Reservation showing that
C. Claims B.H.R. there have been bought, settled and paid for 1924 acres, at an expense of $113,045.97, making an average price per acre of $58.75.

The Secretary submitted a communication from
2 Mr. Charles F. McIntyre, Counsel for Mr. Lewis S. Conant,
C. Conant withdrawing the offer of said Conant for settlement of lands taken from him within the Blue Hills Reservation.

The Secretary submitted a settlement for land taken from the estate of Mrs. Mary Hemenway
C. Hemenway 3 at the rate of $100. per acre, and, on motion of Mr. Chase, the settlement of the Secretary was approved and ordered paid.

The Secretary also submitted a settlement made
C. Sanborn 4 for 8.942 acres of land taken from Miss M. A. Sanborn, of Winchester, in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, at the rate of $200. per acre, and, on motion of Mr. Richards, the settlement of the Secretary was approved and ordered paid.

A communication from the Park Commission
5 of the town of Winthrop in relation to the ocean front
C. Winthrop, Fin. Op. Sp. boulevard in said town was submitted and the Secretary was instructed to notify said Board that it will be impossible for this at the present time to ...

attention to this matter for the reasons heretofore stated.

A communication from Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted
1 & Eliot, reporting upon their work for the [illegible]
Landscape Architects. for the previous six months to July 1st, was submitted
by the Secretary and ordered placed on file.

Proposition from [illegible] Company –
A proposition from the N. E. Metal Screen
2 Company dated July 7th, for the erection of a four
Fences, BBR rail steel fence four feet high, around certain
boundary lines of the Beaver Brook Reservation, was
submitted by the Secretary and, on motion of Mr.
Chase, the Secretary was authorized to purchase said
fence and to have the same erected on the private
boundary lines of the Beaver Brook Reservation.

Communication from Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot
A communication was received from Messrs
Roads and Streets BBR. 3 Olmsted Olmsted & Eliot in relation to the public
roads adjacent to the Beaver Brook Reservation,
which was ordered placed on file and the Secretary
was authorized to obtain a topographical survey of
said Reservation.

4 At 11.45 a recess for one-half an hour was
ordered.

The Board re-assembled at 12.15 and after
Pierce, 5 some discussion on the question of the gift of Mr.
Peirce of certain lands in the town of Randolph
adjacent to the Blue Hills Reservation, it was, on
motion of Mr. Chase,

Secretary to notify Peirce that the Board regrets its inability to accept his gift
Ordered:-- That the Secretary notify
Mr. Peirce that the Board regrets its inability to
accept of his generous gift owing to the fact
that the lands proposed to be given are located
outside of the jurisdiction of this Board, as
defined by Statute, and that the Board would
urgently recommend that the same should be
turned over to the Trustees of Public Reservations
to hold in trust as open space until such
time as other and more suitable arrange-

47th July 12, 1894 con.- ments can be made.

Adjourned at 1.15 to meet on Thursday, July 19th, at 1.30 P.M.

A. S. Carruth [signature] Secretary

48th July 19, 1894. Report of the forty-eighth (48th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, July 19th, 1894, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs. P. A. Chase, A. C. Richards and W. L. Chase.

Secretary reported number of men employed. The Secretary reported the number of men employed as follows:--

In the Blue Hills Reservation.

3 Foremen, 19 Laborers.

Boulevard Department.

1 Foreman, 24 Laborers.

In the Middlesex Fells Reservation.

3 Foremen, 19 Laborers,

Boulevard Department,

1 Foreman, 24 Laborers.

[illegible] The Secretary submitted the following bids for making topographical surveys and maps of the Blue Hills and Middlesex Fells Reservations, which, upon motion of Mr. P. A. Chase, were referred to the Landscape Architects to report at a future meeting.

		Blue Hills.	Middlesex Fells.
Chase and Barry	per acre.	6.41	6.32
Nash and Hunter		2.25	2.10
Morton & Quimby		4.	3.
J. Edwin Jones		5.25	4.50
Frank A. Foster		5.	5.
Edmund Grover		2.50	2.50
Shedd and Sarle		3.	3.
Gray and Blaisdell		11.47	[illegible]

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Offer of settlement Ida R. Fay 1

Fay.

The Secretary submitted the offer of settlement of Ida R. Fay for 11.875 acres within the limits of the Middlesex Fells Reservation in the city of Medford for six thousand dollars ($6,000.) and upon motion of Mr. P. A. Chase it was

[illegible] Mrs. Fay & adjacent [illegible] further survey -

Ordered:-- That before proceeding any further in the matter of the settlement with Mrs. Fay the Secretary be instructed to cause a further survey of her land and adjacent land outside the line of taking in that portion of the Reservation.

Communication [illegible] Swampscott.

2 A communication was received from George A. Jackson, Chairman of the Swampscott Park Commission in relation to the proposed laying out of certain lands as public reservations in the town of Swampscott. The communication was ordered placed on file.

Swampscott [illegible]

Conference with Gov. Brackett & Howland Cox.

A conference was held with Ex-Governor

3 Brackett and Mr. George Howland Cox of the Cambridge Park Commission relative to a proposed parkway from Cambridge via Fresh Pond and Spy Pond to the Mystic Lakes and Middlesex Fells.

[illegible]

Hearing given Francis Blake.

A hearing was also given Mr. Francis

4 Blake in relation to the gift of certain land on the banks of the Charles River in the town of Weston. Mr. Blake made certain statements as to his intentions and the conditions attaching to his proposed gift and the matter was laid over for further consideration.

Blake.

Adjourned at 5 P.M. to meet on Thursday, July 26, at 1 P.M.

H. S. Carruth Secretary

49th
July 26, 1894.

[illegible] of the forty-ninth (49th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, July 26th, at 1 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase, J. L. Richards and W. de l. Casas.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

[illegible] The Secretary reported the number of men employed at the close of business July 21, as follows:--

In the Blue Hills Reservation
[illegible] Foremen 19 Laborers.
Forestry Department
1 Foreman, 25 Laborers.
In the Middlesex Fells Reservation
[illegible] Foremen, [illegible] Laborers
Forestry Department
[illegible] Foremen, 23 Laborers.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Vote passed April 13 to reduce force re-[illegible] Ordered:-- That the vote passed April 13 authorizing the Secretary to "reduce

c. Laborers the force of laborers in the Blue Hills Reservation on and after May 1, to 18 men and 3 foremen; and in the Middlesex Fells Reservation to 12 men and 2 foremen," be reconsidered.

Secretary to employ 20 men + foremen in [illegible] Fells Reservation. On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was authorized to employ twenty men each, not including foremen, in the Blue Hills and Middlesex Fells Reservation.

Communication from counsel in relation to certain [illegible] The Secretary submitted a communication,

2 dated July 19, from the counsel of the Commission

c. Rivers [illegible] in relation to the claim of certain parties, proprietors of mills on the Neponset River, to rights in [illegible] Pond, so called.

On motion of Mr. [illegible] [illegible]

Voted: That the letter of the commission dated July 8 be referred to the special committee of the
1 Commission having in charge all legal matters and that Messrs. Hatch & Chapman be advised to confer in future with such committee.

The Secretary submitted the settlement made by him of [illegible] acres of land in the town of [illegible]
1 in the Blue Hills Reservation formerly owned by Thomas G. Hunt at the price of [illegible] per acre, and on motion of Mr. de las Casas the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

On motion of Mr. [illegible] the Secretary
2 was directed to have the following sign put up at the junction of the new paths now being constructed within the different Reservations and the public ways:-

Notice.

"This path is not a carriage road."

3 The Secretary submitted the following:

"To the Honorable Metropolitan Park Commission:

The Norfolk Suburban Street Railway Company operating a line of street cars by electricity at Readville and Mattapan near the Blue Hills Reservation, respectfully ask permission to grant it the right to construct and operate lines over the parkways of said Reservation.

Norfolk Suburban Street Railway Company
(Signed) By J. O. [illegible]
Prest."

On motion of Mr. de las Casas the matter was placed on file.

4 The Secretary submitted a communication from George T. [illegible], Chairman of the [illegible] [illegible], dated July 23d, asking that

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a hearing may be given him and, first in relation to the laying out of an ocean boulevard [illegible] to Great Head. The communication was placed on file and on motion of Mr. W. L. Chase the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. [illegible] that this Board would give him a hearing at the meeting to be held August 9th.

Adjourned at 3.10 P.M.

H. S. Carruth Secretary.

50th
July 27, 1894.

Record of the fiftieth (50th) meeting of the Metropolitan Parks Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Friday, July 27, at 2.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase, A. L. Richards and W. L. Chase.

1 The Chairman reported that the Board had spent the previous portion of the day in a personal examination of the proposed location of the Fells Parkway.

C. [illegible]

2 On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase it was

Ordered:-- That the engineer make an estimate of the cost of construction of the Fells Parkway between Somerville and the Middlesex Fells Reservation according to the designs submitted by Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot.

C. [illegible]

3 On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase it was

Ordered:-- That the engineer make an estimate of the cost of construction of the Parkway between Mattapan (?) and the Blue Hills Reservation according to the plans of Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot.

C. [illegible]

Adjourned at 4 P.M.

H. S. Carruth Secretary.

51st.
Aug. 2, 1894.

Report of the fifty-first (51st) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Thursday, August 2nd, 1894, at 1. P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs A. L. Richards and W. L. Chase.

The records of the forty-ninth and fiftieth meetings were read and accepted.

Secretary reported number of men employed.

The Secretary reported the number of men employed as follows:--

In the Blue Hills Reservation

3 Foremen, 19 Laborers.

Boulevard Department

1 Foreman, 25 Laborers.

Middlesex Fells Reservation

3 Foremen, 14 Laborers

Boulevard Department

1 Foreman, 24 Laborers.

Settlements of land [illegible]

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land in the Blue Hills Reservation, which were approved and ordered paid.

Forbes
Murphy

J. M. Forbes, about 60 acres, at $60. per acre.

Edward Murphy, about 2 acres and buildings thereon situated in the Eastern Section for $1000.

Nominations for Patrolmen.
Appointments of Police, Patrol.

The Secretary nominated James Galvin, 184 H Street, South Boston, and Henry H. Williams, 3309 Washington Street, Jamaica Plain, as patrolmen in the Stony Brook Reservation. Also, Charles Page of Hyde Park as a patrolman in the Blue Hills Reservation.

Nominations for Patrolmen confirmed.

On motion of Mr. Richards the appointment of James Galvin and Henry H. Williams as patrolmen in the Stony Brook Reservation and of Charles Page as patrolman in the Blue Hills Reservation, was confirmed.

51st Aug. 2, 1894 con. — 1 The Board adjourned at 2.05 to take the 2.35 train for Riverside to inspect certain portions of the Charles River as the guests of the Honor the Mayor of Newton.

H. S. Carruth Secretary.

52nd
Aug. 9, 1894.

Report of the fifty-second (52nd) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Thursday, August 9th, 1894, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs A. L. Richards and W. L. Chase.

The reading of the records of the preceding meeting was dispensed with.

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed in the Reservation as follows:

In the Blue Hills Reservation,
3 Foremen, 19 Laborers
Boulevard Department
1 Foreman, 25 Laborers.
Middlesex Fells Reservation
3 Foremen, 19 Laborers.
Boulevard Department
1 Foreman, 25 Laborers.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements made by him in the Blue Hills, which were approved, and ordered paid.

2 Henry A. Cook and others, 8 acres, $30. per acre.
3 Heirs of Wm. R. Reed, about 23 " 40. " "
4 Horace E. Ware — 6 " 40. " "
5 Estate of D. C. Clark — 4 " $275.
6 F. C. Manson and others 8 " $45.
7 Adams Temple and School Fund 50 " $85. " "
" " " 9 " 30. "

1 Mary S. Kittredge and others, 3 acres, $35. per acre.
2 S. A. Thayer, 9 " 43. " "
3 Heirs of Thompson Baxter, 20 " 30. " "
4 George V. Brock, 2 " 50. " "
5 Eliza T. Bates 6 " 40. " "
6 Estate Stephen S. Arnold, area unknown, 50. " "
7 Dorothy E. Holbrook & others, " " 40. " "

8 The Secretary submitted the following letter of the Treasurer of the Commonwealth, enclosing copy of agreement between the Commonwealth and Edwin F. Atkins and Mary E. Atkins.

Boston, August 3, 1894.

To the Metropolitan Park Commission,

Gentlemen:-

I have the honor to inform you that I have accepted, with the approval of the Governor and Council by vote this day passed, the gift of twelve thousand five hundred dollars from Edwin F. Atkins and Mrs. Mary E. Atkins, to be held in trust under the provisions of section 5, chapter 407, Acts of 1893, subject to certain conditions expressed in an agreement signed by Mr. and Mrs. Atkins, a copy of which is herewith enclosed.

Respectfully yours,
(Signed) Henry M. Phillips,
Treasurer.

A communication was received from the

9 landscape architects reporting upon the progress made in the plans for the Fells and West Roxbury Parkways. The report was ordered placed on file.

10 A hearing was given the Board of Park Commissioners, the Board of Selectmen and citizens of the town of Winthrop, relative to the proposition of said town regarding Ocean

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Front Boulevard, from Beachmont to Great Head.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was ordered that the Secretary, in consultation with the landscape architects, prepare a sketch plan of the shore from Revere Beach to Winthrop Great Head.

Adjourned at 4.10 P.M.

N. S. Cuuetth, Secretary.

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Aug. 23, 1894.

Report of the fifty-third (53rd) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 11, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Thursday, August 23rd, 1894, at 1.30 P.M.

Present:- Messrs P. A. Chase, A. L. Richards and W. L. Chase -

On the motion of Mr. Richards, Mr. P. A. Chase was elected Chairman pro tempore

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed in the various Reservations as follows:-

In the Blue Hills Reservation,

3 Foremen, 23 Laborers.

Boulevard Department

1 Foreman, 24 Laborers.

In the Middlesex Fells Reservation,

3 Foremen 19 Laborers

Boulevard Department.

1 Foreman, 25 Laborers.

The Secretary submitted the settlement of the lease of Joseph F. Johnson, and others for the Sullivan Quarry, so called, in the Blue

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Hills Reservation, for the sum of $50. and on motion of Mr Richards the settlement was approved.

[illegible margin note] Trask

The Secretary submitted the settlement of about ten thousand square feet of land in the Eastern Section of the Blue Hills Reservation, belonging to Edward U. Trask, for $1., and on motion of Mr. Richards the settlement was approved.

[illegible margin note] Arnold Arboretum

On motion of Mr. Richards it was ordered
2 that the Arnold Arboretum be permitted to remove plants, shrubs and trees from the Stony Brook and Blue Hills Reservations, subject to such restrictions as Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, the landscape architects of this Board, see fit to impose.

[illegible margin note] Roads & Sts B.H.R.

On motion of W. L. Chase it was ordered
3 that the men now employed at the boundary roads in the Blue Hills Reservation under the Boulevard Act be transferred to the construction of roads within the reservation and charged to the Metropolitan Parks Loan.

Parkway

The Secretary submitted a petition signed
4 by the Mayors of Boston, Cambridge, Somerville, and Waltham, and by members of the park boards, and other prominent citizens of Boston, Cambridge, Brookline, Newton, Everett, Watertown, Waltham, Belmont, Somerville, Chelsea, Woburn, Arlington, Medford and Winchester, requesting this Board to take early action in the matter of taking and constructing a suitable parkway from Boston to the Middlesex Fells, via Cambridge, Arlington, West Medford, and the valley of the Mystic River.

On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase the petition was specially assigned to the next meeting

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of this Board.

Adjourned at 2.50 P.M. to meet on Thursday, August 30 at 1.30 P.M.

W. L. [illegible]

Secretary.

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Aug. 30, 1894.

Report of the fifty-fourth (54th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Thursday, August 30th, 1894, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

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The Secretary reported the number of men employed, at the close of business August 25th as follows:--

Blue Hills Reservation,

3 Foremen, 22 Laborers

Boulevard Department,

1 Foreman, 24 "

Middlesex Fells Reservation,

3 Foremen, 19 "

Boulevard Department

1 Foreman 24 "

Settlements of Secretary in Middlesex Fells approved.

1 C. Russell

The Secretary submitted a settlement of about 14 acres of land belonging to Mrs. Mary Russell in Melrose, bordering on Washington Street, at $200. an acre, and, on motion of Mr. Casas the settlement of the Secretary was approved and ordered paid.

2 C. Newhall

The Secretary submitted the settlement of the estate of Mrs. Pauline Newhall, on Washington Street, and dwelling house thereon for $2000., and on motion of Mr. P. A. Chase, the settlement of the Secretary was approved and ordered paid.

3 C. Alexander

The Secretary submitted a communication

from Simon Alexander to settle his claim for land, in Winchester at the rate of ten cents per foot and accrued taxes with interest at the rate of ten per cent and on motion of Mr Richards the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr Alexander that the Board is not ready to accept his proposition.

Communication from Mr Walter Fapou. — Pheasants.

A communication was received from Mr Walter Fapou remonstrating against permitting the introduction of the Mongolian Pheasants in the Middlesex Fells Reservation and, on motion of Mr Richards the Secretary was instructed to confer with Mr Brackett of Winchester in relation thereto and to notify him that the consent of the Board would be necessary to the introduction of any foreign animals.

Communication from Hoosic Whisk Club —

A communication was received from a
2 committee of the Hoosic Whisic Club, now leasing the Houghton Farm, so-called, in the Blue Hills Reservation, asking for a hearing in relation to the further use by them of this property. On motion of Mr. Chase the Secretary was instructed to notify them that a hearing would be given and to arrange its date.

Request for a hearing from Mr. Henry F. Campbell.

A communication was received from Mr
3 Henry F. Campbell requesting a hearing relating to the land taken from him in the Beaver Brook Reservation in the town of Belmont. On motion of Mr. Chase the Secretary was instructed to arrange a hearing at some convenient date.

Communication from Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot.

A communication was received from
4 Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, dated August 30th, explaining a preliminary plan of the proposed Blue Hill Parkway. Ordered placed on file.

A communication was received from Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, dated August 30th, on

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.. brief statement of the reasons which have influenced them in the preparation of the preliminary plans of the Fells and Blue Hills parkways. Ordered placed on file.

1 C. Landscape Architects

A communication was received from Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, dated August 30th, submitting a report upon work done in the various reservations. Ordered placed on file.

2 C. Rules

On motion of Mr. C. A. Chase the following order was passed:

Ordered:-- That the Secretary be authorized to submit suitable regulations relating to the gathering of plants, etc., in the various reservations.

3 C. M. V. P.

The special assignment, viz.-- petition of the Mayor of Boston and others, relating to the Mystic Valley Parkway, was taken up and discussed and laid on the table.

Adjourned at 4.10 to meet on Thursday, September 6th at 1.30 P.M.

W. S. Crowell[?]
Secretary.

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Sept. 6, 1894.

Report of the fifty fifth (55th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission held at the office of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, September 6th, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

1 The Secretary reported the number of men employed as follows:--

Blue Hills Reservation

3 Foremen, 22 Laborers.

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Boulevard Department.

1 Foreman, 24 Laborers.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

2 Foremen, 19 "

Boulevard Department

1 Foreman 24. "

Settlement of [illegible] in Middlesex Fells approved.

The Secretary submitted the settlement of .27
1 of an acre of land belonging to James S. H. Green,
of Stoneham, in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for one
hundred dollars ($100.) On motion of Mr. Casas
the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

2 The Secretary submitted a settlement of 19.43
acres in the Middlesex Fells Reservation belonging to
Arad Gerry at $250. per acre; 8.07 acres at $200. per
acre, and Paulina Gerry 9.85 acres, at $200. per acre.
On motion of Mr. Casas they were approved and
ordered paid.

Proposition of [illegible] Gerry declined

The Secretary also submitted a proposition of
3 Elbridge and Arad Gerry [illegible] their claim for 1.87
acres on Main Street in the Middlesex Fells Reser-
vation for $400. On motion of Mr. Casas the
proposition was declined.

Proposition from [illegible] Knights [illegible]

The Secretary submitted a proposition from
Arad Gerry and Mrs. Sarah G. Knights to settle their
4 claim for 8.64 acres in the town of Melrose in the
Middlesex Fells Reservation for $200. per acre. On
motion of Mr. Casas the same was laid on the
table for further consideration.

[illegible] laid on the table.

The Secretary submitted a second proposition
from Mrs. Fanny A. Tucker of the claim of her
5 estate on Randolph Avenue in the town of Melrose
for $800, she having previously offered to settle
for the sum of $300. and a life interest, which
latter proposition she withdrew. On motion
of Mr. P. A. Chase the proposition was laid on
the table.

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On motion of Mr. Casas the following order of taking was passed —

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners,

September 6, 1894.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in lands hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying in the city of Boston, in the county of Suffolk, and shown on plan marked "Stony Brook Reservation, Boston Section, boundary of lands taken. Surveyed by George L. Richardson, Hyde Park, Mass. Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, Brookline, Mass., Aug. 24, 1894," being Metropolitan

Park Commissioners' Plan No. 15, the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows (the same including all those lands, rights in land, easements, privileges and appurtenances which are described in the taking made by said Metropolitan Park Commission, dated April 30, 1894, and recorded June 27, 1894, with Suffolk Deeds, book 2208, page 180, accompanied by Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 11), viz: Beginning at a stone in the boundary line between the city of Boston and town of Hyde Park, just northeast of the stream flowing across said boundary line from Muddy Pond, and thence running south-westerly by said boundary line between said city and town, which is a broken line, nineteen hundred and forty-two (1,942) feet to a point in said boundary line between said city and town distant north-easterly thirty-nine (39) feet (measuring along said boundary line between said city and town) from a granite post in said boundary line between said city and town; thence running north-easterly in a curved line, curving to the left, and by a curve which has its centre outside of the land taken and a radius of eleven hundred and forty-six and twenty-eight one-hundredths ($1,146\frac{28}{100}$) feet, seventy-two (72) feet; then still north-easterly by a line curving to the left, by a curve which has its centre outside of the land taken and having a radius of fifty-seven hundred and thirty (5,730) feet, four hundred (400) feet; then running north 23¼° east seven hundred (700) feet; then turning and running north-westerly by a line curving to the left, by a curve having its centre outside of the land taken and a radius of two hundred and seventy-one (271) feet, five hundred (500) feet;

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then running in a straight line north 83¼° west one hundred and eighty-five (185) feet; then running westerly by a line curving to the right, by a curve having its centre within the land taken and a radius of three hundred and three-tenths (300 3/10) feet, four hundred and fifteen (415) feet; then running north-westerly by a line curving to the left, by a curve having its centre outside of the land taken and a radius of nine hundred and fifty-five (955) feet, three hundred (300) feet; then running still north-westerly by a line curving to the left, by a curve having its centre outside of the land taken and a radius of twenty-eight hundred and sixty-five (2,865) feet, three hundred and sixty five (365) feet to the south-easterly side line of Washington Street at a point eighty-seven (87) feet north-easterly, measuring along said side of said Washington Street from the boundary between land of Trustees of Eliot School and estate shown on said plan as of C. W. Whitmore heirs; then running north easterly along the south-easterly side line of said Washington Street, which is in part straight and in part curving, to a point four hundred and seventy-eight (478) feet north-easterly, measuring along said Washington Street from the boundary between estate of E. J. Rider and J. J. Lund, as shown on said plan; then running south 7° and 50' west three hundred and sixty-two and six-tenths (362 6/10) feet; then running southerly, curving to the right, by a curve which has its centre outside of the land taken and north-west of said Washington Street and a radius of fifty-four hundred and seventy-five (5,475) feet, eleven hundred and seventy-one and four-tenths (1,171 4/10) feet; then running in a straight line south 20° 8' west four hundred and fifty-two (452 feet; then running south-easterly

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by a line curving to the left, by a curve which has its centre outside of the land taken and a radius of nine hundred and thirty-two (932) feet, eight hundred and forty-eight (848) feet; then running in a straight line south 32° east one hundred (100) feet; then running south-easterly by a line curving to the right, by a curve having its centre within the land taken, and a radius of thirteen hundred and sixty-seven (1,367) feet, two hundred and eighty-seven (287) feet; then running south 19° 52' east five hundred and twenty-four (524) feet to a stake and stones in said boundary line between said city and town; then running south-westerly along said boundary between said city and town, which here also is a broken line, twelve hundred and fifty-four (1,254) feet, to the point of beginning.

Witness our hands, this sixth day of September, 1894.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

C. Takings, S.B.R. Taking No. 14.

On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase the following order of taking was passed:-

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners,

September 6, 1894.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in lands hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act.

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Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local boards, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying in the town of Hyde Park, in the county of Norfolk, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and shown on plan marked "Stony Brook Reservation, Hyde Park Section, boundary of lands taken. Surveyed by George L. Richardson, Hyde Park, Mass., Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot, Landscape Architects, Brookline, Mass., August, 1894," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 14, the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows (the same including all those lands, rights in land, easements, privileges and appurtenances which are described in the taking made by said Metropolitan Park Commission, dated April 30, 1894, and recorded June 27, 1894, with Norfolk Deeds, book 716, page 83, accompanied by Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 10), viz.:
Beginning at the intersection of the north-westerly side line of Coleman Street with the north-easterly side line of Cleveland Street, as shown on said plan No. 14, and thence running north-westerly, by a line curving to the right with a radius of four hundred and seventy-eight and thirty-four one-

hundredths ($478\frac{34}{100}$) feet, two hundred feet to a point near Stony Brook; then turning and running in a straight line north-easterly to a point in the south-easterly side line of Morton Street seven hundred and six (706) feet; then turning and running nearly northerly, crossing said Morton Street, one hundred and sixteen (116) feet to a stake; thence continuing in the same direction, or nearly so, three hundred and seventy (370) feet to a stake; then turning and running north-westerly three hundred and seventy-seven (377) feet to a stake, at land now or late of Grew; then turning and running north $22\frac{1}{4}°$ west by said land now or late of Grew eighty-five and five-tenths ($85\frac{5}{10}$) feet to a stake; thence turning and running south 77° west by said land of Grew one hundred and eighty (180) feet to a pile of stones; then turning and running north 19° 16' west (running so as to include a corner of said land now or late of Grew in the premises taken) eleven hundred and thirty-five (1,135) feet; then curving to the right, with a radius of five hundred and fifty-nine and eight-tenths ($559\frac{8}{10}$) feet, two hundred and twenty five (225) feet; then by a straight line north 4° 44' east fifty-two (52) feet; then curving to the left, with a radius of two thousand and ninety-six (2,096) feet, eight hundred and ninety-one (891) feet; and then running in a straight line north 19° 52' west eighty-seven (87) feet to the boundary line between the city of Boston and the town of Hyde Park; thence running south-westerly by said boundary line between said city and town (which is a broken line) twelve hundred and fifty-four (1,254) feet to a bound stone; then still south-westerly by said boundary line between said city and town (which is here also a broken line) nineteen hundred and forty-two (1,942) feet to a

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point thirty-nine (39) feet, distant north-easterly (measuring along said boundary line between said city and town) from a granite post in said boundary line between said city and town; then south-westerly, curving to the right by a line with a radius of eleven hundred and forty-six and twenty-eight one-hundredths (1,146 28/100) feet, thirty-six (36) feet; then turning and running south 52° 35' east in a straight line seven hundred and thirty-five (735) feet; then south-easterly and southerly, curving to the right with a radius of three hundred and six and sixty-six one-hundredths (306 66/100) feet, three hundred and twenty-eight (328) feet; then running south 8° 59' west in a straight line one hundred (100) feet; then south-easterly, curving to the left with a radius of three hundred and six and sixty-six one-hundredths (306 66/100) feet, three hundred and eight (308) feet; then running south 48° 47' east eleven hundred and ten (1,110) feet; then south-easterly, curving to the right with a radius of nine hundred and fifty-five (955) feet, two hundred and twenty-nine (229) feet; then running south 34° 42" east in a straight line ninety-three and thirty-two one-hundredths (93 32/100) feet; then south-easterly, curving to the right with a radius of eleven hundred and seventy (1,170) feet, three hundred and seventeen and sixty-eight one-hundredths (317 68/100) feet; then still southerly, curving to the right with a radius of three hundred and sixty-nine (369) feet, two hundred (200) feet; then south-westerly, curving to the right with a radius of two hundred and eighty-eight (288) feet, two hundred feet; then south-westerly, curving to the right with a radius of eleven hundred and forty-six and twenty-eight one-hundredths (1,146 28/100) feet, four hundred (400)

feet; then running in a straight line south 20° west one hundred (100) feet; then south-easterly, curving to the right with a radius of eleven hundred and forty-six (1,146) feet, one hundred (100) feet; then southerly, curving to the right with a radius of one hundred and thirty (130) feet, one hundred and fifty-nine (159) feet; then running in a straight line south 53° 1' west one hundred (100) feet; then running southerly, curving to the left with a radius of three hundred and ninety-six (396) feet, three hundred and fifty (350) feet; then running in a straight line south 11° 43' east one hundred (100) feet; then running in a straight line south 11° 43' east one hundred (100) feet; then running still southerly, curving to the right with a radius of five hundred and five (505) feet, four hundred (400) feet; then running in a straight line south 13¾° west one hundred (100) feet; then running southerly, curving to the left with a radius of five hundred and twenty-one and seventeen one-hundredths (521 17/100) feet, six hundred (600) feet; then running in a straight line south 32¼° east six hundred (600) feet; then running south-easterly, by a line curving to the right with a radius of two thousand eight hundred and sixty-five (2,865) feet, two hundred (200) feet; then still south-easterly, curving to the right with a radius of one hundred and eighty-one and four-tenths (181 4/10) feet, one hundred (100) feet; then running south-westerly, curving to the right with a radius of eighty-nine and forty-seven one-hundredths (89 47/100) feet, one hundred (100) feet to the north-easterly side line of a street or way connecting Fairview Avenue and River Street, as shown on said plan No. 14; then running south 47° east along said north-westerly side line of said street or way one hundred and eighty-one (181) feet to the north-westerly side line of said River Street; then running along

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said north-westerly side line of said River Street, curving to the right with a radius of four hundred and fifty-seven (457) feet, two hundred and eighty-six and three-tenths ($286\frac{3}{10}$) feet; then still by same side line, curving to the right with a radius of five hundred and seventy-seven (577) feet, two hundred and ninety-six (296) feet; then running by same side line in a straight line north 86° east one hundred and thirteen and seventy-one one-hundredths ($113\frac{71}{100}$) feet; then running north-westerly, curving to the right with a radius of two hundred and forty-two and six-tenths ($242\frac{6}{10}$) feet, three hundred and two and six-tenths ($302\frac{6}{10}$) feet; then running in a straight line north $21\frac{3}{4}$° west two hundred and ninety-seven and four-tenths ($297\frac{4}{10}$) feet; then running northerly, curving to the right with a radius of eight hundred and twenty-seven (827) feet, one thousand and thirty-five (1,035) feet to a point in the south-easterly side line of Dedham Street; then running north 40° west across said street thirty-five (35) feet; then running north-easterly along the north-westerly side line of said Dedham Street two hundred and twenty-eight and seven-tenths ($228\frac{7}{10}$) feet; then running along said side line of said street north 50° east eight hundred and fifty-seven (857) feet; then running north 40° west one hundred (100) feet; then running north 50° east fifty (50) feet; then running north 40° west one hundred (100) feet; then running north 50° east one hundred and one and sixty-four one-hundredths ($101\frac{64}{100}$) feet; then running north $8\frac{3}{4}$° west fifty-three (53) feet to a point in the north-westerly side line of Brainard Street, shown on said plan No. 14; and then running north-easterly along said side line of said street north 46° 40′ east five hundred and sixty-seven and fifty-three one-hundredths ($567\frac{53}{100}$)

feet; and then in the same direction two hundred and seven-tenths (200 7/10) feet to said north-easterly side line of said Cleveland Street; then south-easterly along said north-easterly side line of said Cleveland Street one hundred and five (105) feet to the point of beginning.

Witness our hands, this sixth day of September, A.D. 1894.

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On motion of Mr. Lucas it was

B.R.B.&L.R.R. Ordered:-- That the sub-committee on Revere Beach be authorized to employ such engineering assistance as they may wish for a report to this Board on the plans and estimates of the B.R.B. and L.R.R. for relocation of their line submitted September 6th.

Adjourned at 3.07 to meet on Thursday, September 13th, at 1.30 P.M.

N. S. Bassett
Secretary.

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Report of the fifty-sixth (56th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, September 13th, 1894.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary reported number of men employed.

The Secretary reported the number of men employed as follows:-

On the Blue Hills Reservation.

3 Foremen, 30 Laborers,

Boulevard Department:

1 Foreman, 16 Laborers.

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In the Middlesex Fells Reservation
3 Foremen, 19 Laborers,
Boulevard Department
1 Foreman, 24 Laborers.

The Secretary submitted the proposition
1 of Dr. McKeckmie of Somerville to settle his claim
c. McKeckmie for ten acres of land in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for $400. and on motion of Mr. Casas the offer was declined.

The Secretary submitted a proposition of
2 J. P. Fenno, Administrator of Fenno Estate to settle
c. Fenno Est. their claim for eight acres in the Blue Hills Reservation for $40. an acre. On motion of Mr. Richards the settlement was approved.

The Secretary submitted a proposition
3 of the estate of Josiah Oakes to settle their
c. Oakes Est. claim for 9.3 acres of land in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for one thousand dollars ($1000.) On motion of Mr. Casas the Secretary was authorized to settle the above claim for the sum of $100. an acre.

The Secretary submitted a letter, dated
4 September 1th, 1894, from Mr. John Oscar Teele,
c. Dutton Attorney for Mr. B. F. Dutton, enclosing a statement of the claim of the said Dutton for damages sustained by the taking of his lands in Malden and Melrose in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, amounting to $83,726.72, together with an incidental damage yet to be estimated. On motion of Mr. Casas the matter was laid on the table.

A hearing was given Mr. Converse and
5 Mr. Baxter of the Malden Park Board who desired
c. Muck the Board to determine whether they could make use of the muck in the pond in the Fellsmere Park in Malden in constructing the Fells Parkway.

56th Sept 13 1894 — The Board requested that they be given two weeks to reply to the question.

The Commission discussed the question of the grade crossings of the Revere Beach Railroad. Inquiry being made whether the separation of grades should be paid for out of the loan of $500,000, the opinion was expressed that the understanding of the question was that the railway should be given a location as good as the present one. On motion of Mr. [illegible] it was

Ordered:-- That the Committee on the Revere Beach be requested to meet with the Selectmen of Revere and the officers of the Railroad and endeavor to reach an agreement with respect to the new location of the railroad and the question of grade crossings.

Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot submitted a project for the taking of land on Charles River between Western Avenue and Galen Street.

Adjourned at 3.20 to meet Thursday, September 20 at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. [illegible]
Secretary.

57th. Sept. 20, 1894. — Report of the fifty-seventh (57) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Thursday, September 20th, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

The Secretary reported the number of men employed as follows:--

In the Blue Hills Reservation

3 Foremen, 33 Laborers.

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Boulevard Department
1 Foreman, 15 Laborers,
in the Middlesex Fells Reservation,
3 Foremen, 19 Laborers
Boulevard Department,
1 Foreman, 23 Laborers.

1 c. Cassidy
The Secretary submitted a report upon the land owned by Mr. John E. Cassidy on the banks of the Charles River between the Boston and Albany railroad station and the river near the Faneuil station of said railroad, being mostly in the Brighton portion of the city of Boston and partially in the city of Newton, making a proposition to convey to the Commission this tract of 24 acres above described at 12½ cents a foot. On motion of Mr. Casas the matter was laid on the table.

2 c. Barrett
The Secretary submitted the proposition of Messrs Barrett to convey the land formerly owned by them and taken by this Commission in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for $1000. per acre. On motion of Mr. Casas it was laid upon the table.

3 c. Donaldson
A communication was received from the Donaldson estate offering to convey 6.20 acres, partially in Medford, in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, for $875. and on motion of Mr. Casas the offer was accepted.

4 c. Blaine.
The Secretary submitted a proposition from E. S. Blaine, Attorney for Joseph C. Blaine, of Saugus, proposing to sell the land formerly owned by him in the town of Stoneham in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, being 29.30 acres, more or less, for $5,000. and on motion of Mr. Casas the offer was rejected.

5 c. Harwood
The Secretary submitted the proposition of Mr. J. A. Harwood to settle his claim for a certain parcel of land in the city of Medford for $250.

per acre and on motion of Mr. Casas the offer was rejected.

1 The Secretary submitted a communication from Messrs Balch and Rackemann in relation to the claim of the city of Malden for the unexpired portion of the lease of the "Bears Den Rifle Range" and on motion of Mr. Casas it was laid on the table.

2 The Secretary submitted a communication from the Overseer in relation to the appointment of Mr. Frank Dings to be chief of police of the Middlesex Fells Reservation. On motion of Mr. Casas it was laid on the table.

3 The Secretary submitted a communication from F. V. Balch in relation to the deed of gift of about 30 acres of land in the Middlesex Fells Reservation by Mr. Walter C. Wright. The matter was referred to Mr. Casas.

4 A hearing was given to certain gentlemen representing the Hoosic-Whisic Club of Milton now leasing the Houghton Farm, so-called, within the limits of the Blue Hills Reservation. A general statement was made by the gentlemen present of their desire for some arrangement whereby they could obtain the exclusive use of the house, farm buildings and a float stage upon the pond adjacent after the expiration of their present lease, viz:, March 2, 1895. The Secretary read, in behalf of Col. Henry S. Russell of Milton, his (Col. Russell's) remonstrance against granting the request of the Hoosic-Whisic Club. The matter was taken under advisement.

5 On motion of Mr. Casas it was

Ordered:-- That the landscape architects be requested to furnish the Secretary with suitable specifications for the contract for the widening of the Winchester Causeway.

6 The Secretary submitted the request of

the Chief of Police of the Blue Hills Reservation for an additional horse, and also the request of the Deputy Overseer for permission to board his horse at the Reservation in part compensation for the use of said horse in the work of the Reservation. On motion of Mr. Richards both matters were referred to Mr. W. L. Chase and the Secretary as a committee with full powers.

C. Horses, B.H.R. Purchase and Boarding.

1 On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase it was

Ordered: -- That the Secretary communicate with the Boston Board of Park Commissioners relative to the takings of the West Roxbury Parkway and inform them that when they are ready to pass the takings to complete said parkway from where this Board leaves off to the Arnold Arboretum that this Board will pass the takings from the Stony Brook Reservation to the point where the Boston Park Board begins.

C. W.R.P.

T. Takings W.R.P.

2 A communication was received from Frank A. Cutting in relation to the route of the proposed Middlesex-Fells-Mystic Valley Parkway and, on motion of Mr. P. A. Chase, was referred to the landscape architects.

C. M.V.P.

3 The Secretary submitted the following report upon the question of gathering the plants, shrubs, etc., and of issuing permits for the same in the various Reservations under the control of this Board, -

C. Plants.

Boston, September 18, 1894.

Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir: --

Agreeably to the instructions of the Board I beg leave to report upon the question of the gathering of plants, etc., in the various reservations under the control of this

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Board. I have carefully considered the question in all its bearings and I am forced to recommend to the Board that they refuse the granting of permits of this character. It will inevitably lead to abuse and place beyond the control of the Commission the protection of the flora of the reservations. It will be impossible to discriminate between persons who stand upon an equal footing as citizens of the Commonwealth.

I therefore recommend that I be instructed to issue no permits other than to scientific institutions which have first received the sanction of the full Board.

Respectfully submitted
(signed) H. S. Carruth,
Secretary

On motion of Mr. Richards the report was accepted and the recommendations adopted.

1 Communication of Mr. Edward Atkinson referred to Joint Commission on Charles River — Puddesham Road.

On motion of Mr. Curtis it was

Ordered:— That the communication of Mr. Edward Atkinson relative to the Puddesham road be taken from the files and referred to the Joint Commission on Charles River.

2 [illegible] cost of land proposed Blue Hills and Middlesex Fells Parkways — B.H.P. M.F.P. Plans of B.H.P., " M.F.P.

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase it was

Ordered:— That the Secretary procure estimates of the cost of land of the proposed Blue Hills and Middlesex Fells Parkways, according to the plans of Messrs. Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot.

3 Landscape Architects submitted plan of Beaver Brook Reservation — Roads and Sts. B.B.R.

The landscape architects submitted a plan of the Beaver Brook Reservation showing a scheme for the widening of Forth Street and Trapelo Road and Mill Street whereby the shrubbery along said Mill Street may be preserved and on motion of Mr. H. L. Chase the plan was referred to Mr. Richards.

Adjourned at 3.40 P.M. to meet on

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Thursday, September 27th, at 1.30 P.M.

A. T. Cassett Secretary.

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Report of the fifty-eighth (58th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, September 27th, 1894, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary reports number of men employed.

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed as follows:--

Blue Hills Reservation
3 Foremen, 19 Labourers.
Boulevard Department
1 Foreman, 25 Labourers.
Middlesex Fells Reservation.
3 Foremen, 31 Labourers.
Boulevard Department
1 Foreman, 14 Labourers.

Settlement of [illegible] in Middlesex Fells approved.

The Secretary submitted a settlement of
1 17,300 square feet of land, being lot 17 on Mountain
C. Owners [illegible] Avenue in the town of Melrose in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for $450. and, on motion of Mr. Casas, the settlement of the Secretary was approved subject to the abandonment by the Board of the land above referred to.

Report of Mr. Casas of conference with Counsel.

Mr. Casas reported that he had had a
2 conference with the Counsel of the Commission
C. W. Wright. and with Mr. Wright in reference to the clause in the deed of land taken from said Wright and that he would, in the near future report a new clause which he thought would

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be satisfactory to the Board.

The Secretary submitted to the Board a
1 proposition to advertise for proposals for the topo-
graphical surveys of the various reservations with
the condition of a bond for $5,000. for faithful
performance of the work and, on motion of Mr. P. A. Chase,
the whole matter was referred to the Secretary
with full powers.

Surveys.

2 On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase it was

Superintendent M. F. R.

Ordered:-- That the time having come to
combine the positions of superintendent and chief
of police in the Middlesex Fells that the whole
matter be referred to Mr. Casas and the Secretary
with a request for an early report.

The Secretary submitted a request from
3 the Chief of Police of the Blue Hills Reservation,
also discharging the duties of the Chief of Police
of the Stony Brook Reservation, for an increase of
pay. On motion of Mr. Richards the matter
was referred to Mr. W. L. Chase and the Secretary
being the Committee on the Stony Brook Reservation.

4 On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase it was

M. F. R.

Ordered:- That the Secretary be instructed
to have the proposed southern boundary of the
Middlesex Fells Reservation staked out.

A communication, dated September 26,
5 was received from Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot
referring to several recommendations previously
made by them. Ordered placed on file.

Lds. Arch.

6 Two communications were received from
Mr. George W. Morse, dated July 12 and September
2? 1894 and on motion of Mr. P. A. Chase they
were referred to Mr. W. L. Chase and the
landscape architects for their report.

Morse.

At the request of the Chairman the
7 Secretary submitted a list of the permanent

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employees of the Commission, as follows:—

Boston, September 27th, 1894.

Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir;—

In conformity to the order of the Board that I report to them in relation to the permanent officers in the employ of the Commission I have the honor to report as follows:—

H. S. Carruth, Secretary,	$4000.	per year
Mary V. Habberley, Stenographer & Clerk	600.	" "
Edmund A. Mahoney, Messenger	4.	" week.
Wilfred Rackemann, Overseer	1600.	" year
Charles P. Price, Deputy Overseer in Blue Hills	2.25	" day
Charles M. Ball, Deputy Overseer in Middlesex Fells	2.25	" "
Robert Elder Superintendent Beaver Brook Reservation	700.	" year.

<u>Police</u>

Blue Hills Reservation

Peleg Brousdon, Chief of Police	2.50	per day
William Jordan, Patrolman	2.25	" "
John Craig, "	2.25	" "
James C. White "	2.25	" "
John McAloon "	2.25	" "
Charles E. Page "	2.25	" "
Bernard M. O'Neil "	2.25	" "

Middlesex Fells Reservation

Wilfred Rackemann, Chief of Police	No pay	
Owen A. Lynch, Deputy " and Patrolman	2.25	per day
William J. Boyce, Patrolman	2.25	" "
Michael E. Lyons, "	2.25	" "
Thomas H. Killion "	2.25	" "
George W. Gilbert "	2.25	" "

Stony Brook Reservation

Peleg Bonsdon, Chief of Police	1/10 pay
Henry H. Williams, Patrolman	2.25 per day
James Galvin, "	2.25 " "

Police, Chiefs — You will permit me to state in making this report that Mr. Rackemann urges the settlement of the Chief of Police question in the Middlesex Fells Reservation owing to the fact that it necessitates his working seven days in the week, week in and week out, and is a severe tax on his strength and energy.

I have also to report that Mr. Bonsdon, Chief of Police of the Blue Hills Reservation, has asked that in view of the fact that the Stony Brook Reservation is now added to his duties since his original employment that he be paid the sum of one dollar a day additional to his present compensation and I recommend the increase of pay requested.

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) H. S. Carruth,
Secretary.

Adjourned at 3 P.M. to meet on Thursday, October 4th, at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Carruth Secretary.

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Oct. 4, 1894

Report of the fifty-ninth (59th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the office of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, October 4th, 1894, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

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read and accepted.

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The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows:--

In the Blue Hills Reservation.
3 Foremen, 30 Laborers.
Boulevard Department
1 Foreman, 15 "
In the Middlesex Fells Reservation.
3 Foremen 19 Laborers.
Boulevard Department
1 Foreman, 26. "

Proposal from Mr. E. D. Wadsworth to settle claim.

The Secretary submitted a proposal from Mr. E. D.
1 Wadsworth of Stoneham to settle his claim for land taken
(c. Wadsworth.) from him in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for $600. per acre and $2500. additional for injury done to his business. On motion of Mr. Lucas the offer was declined.

Letter from Mr. J. A. Harwood.

A letter was submitted by the Secretary from
2 Mr. J. A. Harwood, dated October 4th, offering to settle
(c. Harwood) his claim for land taken in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for $225. per acre and the Secretary was instructed, on motion of Mr. Lucas, to decline the offer.

Proposal of Messrs. Barrett taken from table.

On motion of Mr. Lucas the proposal of the
3 Messrs Barrett in relation to land taken from them
(c. Barrett, c. ???) in the Middlesex Fells Reservation was taken from the table.

Offer of Messrs. Barrett to settle for $1000. per acre declined.

On motion of Mr. Lucas, the offer of Messrs. Barrett to settle their claim for land taken in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for $1000. per acre was declined.

Secretary to prepare plans for taking southern boundary Middlesex Fells

On motion of Mr. Lucas the Secretary was instructed to prepare the necessary papers and plans for taking of certain strips of land along the southern boundary of the Middlesex Fells Reservation as per plan made by William T. Pierce Engineer, and dated September 19, 1894.

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4 (c. Fields ? ?)

On motion of Mr. Lucas the Secretary was in-

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structed to proceed with the construction of the boundary road along the lines as laid down on the map of William T. Pierce, Engineer, dated September 19, 1894.

Secretary instructed to prepare plans of Hemlock Brook tract. 1

On motion of Mr. Curtis the Secretary was instructed to prepare plans of the triangle of Hemlock Brook tract.

Secretary to submit estimates of cost of Hemlock Gorge.

On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was
2 instructed to submit estimates of cost of taking of the lands adjoining the Hemlock Gorge in the city of Newton and the towns of Needham and Wellesley.

Secretary to obtain estimates of cost of separation of grades of B.R.B.&L.R.R.

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the Secretary was
3 instructed to obtain, under the direction of the sub-committee on the Revere Beach, the estimates of cost of the separation of grades on the streets crossing the proposed new location of the B., R. B. and L. R.R.

Secretary to prepare topographical survey of Harlem [illegible]

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the Secretary was instructed to prepare a topographical survey of the
4 Harlen Street entrance from Canton Avenue to the present boundary of the Blue Hills Reservation.

Hearing given committee from Arlington.

A committee of the citizens of Arlington, con-
5 sisting of Mr. S. F. Hicks and Mr. W. W. Kimball, were given a hearing by the Board in relation to the proposed parkway via Fresh Pond and the Mystic Lakes to the Middlesex Fells, which parkway it is proposed shall pass through the town of Arlington. The Committee stated that their chairman, Hon. J. Q. A. Brackett, was unable to be present and that they desired to be heard further whenever the Board was in a position to give them some definite information as to their intentions in the matter. The Chair assured the gentlemen that they should be given such a hearing and the interview was closed.

Report of [illegible]

The Secretary submitted the following report on the reorganization of the executive force in the various Reservations -

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Boston, October 4, 1894.

Charles Francis Adams Chairman,

Sir:--

The time will soon come when it will be necessary to organize a force in the Stony Brook Reservation for the purpose of cleaning up the woods and taking some measures to obviate the danger of fire and, in view of this fact, it seems to me opportune that the Commission should decide distinctly its policy as to the executive management of these various reservations now under its control. I desire to outline a plan which the experience of the past nine months convinces me will produce the best results at the least expense. It must be borne in mind that the reservations under the control of this Board are not similar to those of a single city like Boston or Lynn, but are widely scattered over the area of the Metropolitan District. It is not possible to reach each reservation in one single tour of inspection and it therefore becomes necessary that there should be in each reservation belonging to the Board some competent person who can carry forward the instructions of his superior officers in a continuous and systematic manner. I therefore recommend to the Board some such plan as the following:--

The continuance of Mr. Rackemann as the Overseer of the Board in charge of all the reservations under its control, responsible to the Secretary, and he to the Board, for their proper management; the transference of Mr. Price, now the deputy in the Blue Hills, to the Stony Brook Reservation, there to assume the duties of superintendent and chief of police; the continuance of Mr. Elder as the superintendent of the River

Brook Reservation, also exercising the duties of police; the appointment of Mr. Bridge, heretofore named to the Board as superintendent and chief of police of the Middlesex Fells Reservation. This leaves the Blue Hills Reservation for a somewhat different treatment than the other reservations owing to its very much larger area and also owing to the fact that this area is not so compact as that of the Fells but is much more rectangular, if the term may be used, thereby creating much greater distances to be travelled. Therefore in the case of the Blue Hills I would recommend the continuance of the present police system under the control of Mr. Bronedon, relieving him of any concern or responsibility for the Stony Brook Reservation, and placing in charge of the work to be done, as local superintendent, some competent man such as the other appointees for similar positions.

I cannot but believe, and my reason for my belief is the experience already had, that some such system as this, which shall be uniform in its workings, will conduce to much better results than the present rather hap-hazard method which has been the outgrowth of the exigencies of the occasion as they arose. The time has certainly come for a clear and definite method of conducting the operations of this Board and I submit the above plan in the hope that it may meet with the approval of the Board, with any such modifications as may to them seem best under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted
(signed) H. S. Carruth,
Secretary

On motion of Mr. [illegible] Chase it was
Ordered:- That the Secretary's report

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be accepted and the various recommendations therein contained be taken up ad seriatim.

Mr. [illegible] [illegible] Overseer

1 The recommendation of the Secretary that Mr. Wilfred Buckemann be continued as the Overseer of all the Reservations, was on motion of Mr. P. A. Chase, accepted.

Mr. Price made Supt. & Chief of Police of Stony Brook Reservation.

The recommendation that Mr. Price, now deputy

2 overseer in the Blue Hills Reservation, be made Superintendent and Chief of Police of the Stony Brook Reservation, was accepted.

Recommendation [illegible] Fells referred to sub committee

The recommendation that Mr. Frank P. Dings

3 of Winchester be made Superintendent and Chief of Police of the Middlesex Fells Reservation was referred to the sub-committee on the Middlesex Fells Reservation with a request to report at the next meeting.

The recommendations in relation to the Blue

4 Hills Reservation were referred to the sub-committee on said Reservation with the request to report at an early date.

Report of sub committee on Stony Brook.

The sub-committee on the Stony Brook Reser-

5 vation submitted the following report —

October 4, 1894.

Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir:—

In response to the order of the Board referring the communication of the Chief of Police of the Blue Hills Reservation, requesting an increase of pay on account of the extra duties devolving upon him as acting Chief of Police of the Stony Brook Reservation, to the undersigned with the request to report, we beg leave to say that we recommend the transference of Mr. Price, now the deputy in the Blue Hills Reservation, to the Stony Brook Reservation there to resume the duties of the Superintendent of the Stony

Brook Reservation and also those of the Chief of Police and that Mr. Bronsdon be continued as Chief of Police of the Blue Hills Reservation at his present salary.

Respectfully submitted
(signed) Wm. L. Chase.
H. S. Carruth, Secy
Committee

On motion of Mr. Casas it was voted to accept
1 the offer of Mr. Lyman Dike to settle his claim for land taken in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for $200. per acre, provided, that the said Dike secure to this Commission a right of way to Marble Street satisfactory to the landscape architects.

On motion of Mr. Casas it was

Ordered:-- That the compensation of the
2 Superintendent of the Beaver Brook Reservation on and after October 1st be at the rate of $13.50 per week and that of the Superintendent of the Stony Brook Reservation be at the rate of $15.00 per week.

Salaries Supt. B.B.R.
Salaries, Supt. S.B.R.

On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase it was

Ordered:-- That when the Secretary
3 feels that the time has come to employ men in the Stony Brook Reservation that he be authorized to employ not more than twenty-five men in said Reservation under the same instructions as applied to like work in other reservations.

A communication was received from the
4 Chairman of the Board to Investigate the Subject of the Unemployed and, on motion of Mr. Richards, the matter was referred with full powers to the Chairman of the Commission.

Unemployed

Adjourned at 3.30 P.M. to meet on Friday, October 12, at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Carruth
Secretary.

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Oct. 18, 1894.

Report of the sixtieth (60th) meeting of the Metropolitan Parks Commission, at the offices of the Commission, 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, October 18th, 1894, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs Casas and Rickards. W. L. Chase coming in late.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary reported number of men employed.

The Secretary reported the number of men employed as follows:-- ×

Blue Hills Reservation.
3 Foremen, 4 Laborers.
Boulevard Department
1 Foreman, 15 Laborers.
Middlesex Fells Reservation,
3 Foremen, 19 Laborers,
Boulevard Department,
1 Foreman, 24 Laborers.

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The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land:--

Thomas Fallon 1
c. Fallon, T.
c. " J.

Thomas Fallon, about three acres of cultivated land in the Middlesex Fells at $250. per acre. John Fallon about ten acres of land in the Middlesex Fells Reservation at $125. per acre. On motion of Mr. Casas the above settlements were approved.

Mrs. Catherine M. Crawford 2
c. Crawford.

Mrs. Catherine M. Crawford, Lot no. 19 Mountain Avenue containing 14,345 square feet for $450. On motion of Mr. Casas the settlement was approved.

Mary A. Forrest 3
c. Forrest.

Mary A. Forrest, about 10½ acres of land in Stoneham, in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, at $250. an acre, and on motion of Mr. Casas the Secretary was authorized to settle for the sum of $200. an acre.

Levi Green. 4
c. Green.

Levi Green, 10 acres of land in Stoneham in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, at $250. per acre, and on motion of Mr. Casas the offer was declined.

c. [illegible] 5

The Secretary submitted an offer from [illegible]

E. C. Eustis

E. C. Eustis to settle his claim for land taken from him in the Blue Hills Reservation for $125. per acre, provided that he, Eustis, is given a perpetual right to take water from a spring in the Reservation on land formerly belonging to him and connected at the present time by water pipes with his residence on Canton Avenue. On motion of Mr. Richards the above settlement was referred to the Chairman.

John H. Reynolds 1
Reynolds.

John H. Reynolds, about 1/8 of an acre of land on Hillside Street in the Blue Hills Reservation for $100. On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase the settlement was approved.

A. P. Bickmore 2
Bickmore

A. P. Bickmore, area unknown, in the Stony Brook Reservation, for $100. per acre. On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase this settlement was approved.

Letitia B. Evans &
John E. Blakemore 3
Evans and Blakemore

Letitia B. Evans and John E. Blakemore, 21900 square feet, West Roxbury Parkway, $2000. per acre.

James Dowling 4
Dowling

James Dowling 207733 square feet for $1500. per acre.

Marion L. Woodward 5
Woodward.

Marion L. Woodward, 170332 square feet for $1000. per acre. On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase the above three settlements of the Secretary were approved.

Committee on ... discharged and subject referred to Secretary.
6
Uniforms

The Committee having in charge the matter of the uniforms of the police officers in the various reservations was discharged from further duty and, on motion of Mr. Richards, the whole subject of the uniforms of the above named officers was referred to the Secretary.

7
Four thousand ... to be paid to ... upon release ... Reservation.
Stoneham, Town

On motion of Mr. Casas it was

Ordered:- That the sum of four thousand dollars be paid to the town of Stoneham upon their releasing by deed to this Commission all their claim, title, and interest in the Bear Hill Reservation so called, within the limits of the Middlesex Fells Reservation.

Chandler 8

On motion of Mr. Casas it was

Frank E. Chandler [illegible] up premises [illegible]

Ordered:-- That the Secretary notify Mr. Frank E. Chandler to quit, and deliver up the premises formerly owned by him in the Middlesex Fells Reservation on or before May 1st, 1895.

[illegible] on condition of Beaver Brook dams accepted and subject referred to sub-committee on that Reservation.

The Secretary submitted a verbal report upon
1 the condition of the Beaver Brook dams which
c. Dams, BBR. report was accepted and the subject matter referred to the sub-committee on the Beaver Brook Reservation with full powers.

2 On motion of Mr. Casas it was

Request of Ladies Aid Society of Malden Hospital [illegible] plates referred to Mr. Casas.

c. Malden Hospital. Ordered:-- That the matter of allowing the Ladies Aid Society of the Malden Hospital to use our plates in their publications in connection with the forthcoming Hospital Fair in that city be referred to Mr. Casas with full powers.

Question of building at Stony Brook referred to sub-committee on Stony Brook Reservation.

The Secretary communicated to the Board the
3 necessity of a building at once in the Stony Brook
c. Office, SBR. Reservation to be used as an office, tool house, etc., and, on motion of Mr. Richards, the subject was referred to the sub-committee on the Stony Brook Reservation.

[illegible] from Winthrop [illegible]

The Secretary submitted a letter from the
c. Winthrop Pk. Com. 4 Board of Park Commissioners of the town of Winthrop.
c. WP. Ordered placed on file.

5 The Secretary submitted the following report as

Report of Secretary [illegible] of sub-committee on [illegible] Fells relating to reorganization of executive department.

a member of the sub-committee on the Middlesex Fells Reservation, relating to the recommendations con-
c. Org. MFR. tained in the Secretary's previous report upon the reorganization of the executive department. Mr. Casas, Chairman of the sub-committee, dissented from from the report made by the Secretary and the matter was referred to the Chairman with full powers.

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Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir: -

The sub-committee on the Middlesex

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Fells Reservation, to whom was referred so much of the report of the Secretary upon the re-organization of the executive Force in the various Reservations as applied to the Middlesex Fells Reservation, beg leave to report as follows:--

They have carefully considered the subject and urge the adoption of the recommendation contained in the Secretary's report as far as the appointment of an official to be known as Superintendent of said Reservation. They would further report that they have had an interview with Mr. Frank Dinge, who was recommended by the Overseer for the position above named, and would state that Mr. Dinge is thirty-one years of age, was born in North Egremont in this state, that he received a common school education and was trained as a farmer, that for five years he was in the employ of S. O. Curtis and Sons of Lenox as foreman of their Livery Stables. In 1892 he was employed by Mr. S. Endicott Peabody, of Salem, and had the whole care and responsibility of the management of Mr. Peabody's farm. His reason for leaving Mr. Curtis was because he could better himself financially by so doing, and his reason for leaving the employ of Mr. Peabody was that his wife was not in physical condition to perform the work which necessarily fell upon her in the management of the farm. He has been residing in Winchester for the last two months which place he selected as a place of residence on account of the fact that his wife's sister is a resident of that town. He has had no experience as a policeman but has had considerable experience in the handling of men and the direction of work.

The result of the interview as outlined

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by the above facts was that your committee consider that Mr. Dnige has excellent qualifications for the office of Superintendent of the Reservation and that he could undoubtedly perform the duties of the office of Chief of Police. He is very highly recommended by both of his former employers Mr. Curtis and Mr. Peabody. The only doubt which exists in the minds of your committee as to his appointment is the fear that it might excite some criticism and unfavorable comment growing out of the fact that he has been for a short time only a resident of the Metropolitan District.

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) H. S. Carruth
Secretary.

Report of sub-committee on Stony Brook Reservation on abandonment of [illegible]

C. Morse

C. Ltts, S.B.R.

Mr. W. L. Chase, chairman of the sub-committee on the Stony Brook Reservation, reported on a matter referred to that committee at a previous meeting; viz, the abandonment of a portion of the land taken from George W. Morse in the vicinity of Brainard and Dedham Streets in Hyde Park, that so much of the land taken from said Morse as lies south of the line being the extension of Brainard Street westward, be abandoned, provided, said Morse will make a reasonable settlement to the Board of the balance of the land taken from him and will agree that buildings to be erected by him upon the said abandoned land or that portion of the land which fronts upon Brainard Street shall be built fronting the Reservation. The report was accepted and the recommendations adopted and the Secretary was instructed to have a survey made which should show the new lines of the Reservation and also the

area of the land proposed to be abandoned.

1 A communication was received from Mr. Arthur L. Hyman relating to the construction of the street or boundary road along the line of the land recently abandoned by this Commission, being land which was originally taken from said Hyman. The matter was referred to the special meeting to be held on Monday, October 22.

A communication was received from the 2 Park Commissioners of the town of Winchester relating to the alleged necessity of this Board taking immediate action in regard to the tannery property in the town of Winchester, being a portion of the proposed Mystic Valley Parkway. The matter was referred to the special meeting to be held on Monday, October 22.

A communication was received from Mr. G. 3 A. A. Pevey, City Solicitor of Cambridge and also signed by the city solicitors of Waltham, Somerville, Everett and Newton asking that the Board communicate to them information relating to the recent action of the Board relating to the question of where roads and boulevards have been built and land taken and what has been done at Revere Beach and Charles River and what action it is proposed to take in relation to the above named localities. The communication was ordered placed on file and the Secretary was instructed to communicate with the above named gentlemen to the effect that it is impossible for this Board to give the information desired as to their future action and that what has already been done is a matter of public record which is at any time open to them for inspection.

The Secretary submitted the following 4

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names of individuals to be appointed special police without pay except on Sundays, holidays and extra special duty; -- Charles M. Ball, Stephen Hynes, James McMorrow, Edward C. Myers, John Dawe 2nd Edmund Collins. On motion of Mr. Casas the nomination of the foregoing officers was confirmed, provided, that they are each and all citizens of the Commonwealth.

C. Brick. 1 The Secretary submitted a bill of Charles E. C. Brick for $870.26 for alleged services in surveying in the Blue Hills Reservation. The Secretary stated to the Board his feeling that the said bill was very much in excess of any fair and just charge and on motion of Mr. Casas the whole subject was referred to the Chairman.

C. Takings — W. F. P. 2 On motion of Mr. Casas the following order of taking was passed.

Taking No. 17. Taking of lands [illegible]

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners.

October 18, 1894.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local boards, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner provided

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as used by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying partly in the city of Medford and partly in the city of Malden, in the county of Middlesex, and shown on plan made by William T. Pierce, Engineer, and marked "Plan of Lands for the Fells Parkway from Pine Banks Entrance to Highland Avenue, Malden and Medford, . . . Sept. 17, 1894, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 17, the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows:-

The first parcel is bounded: beginning on the easterly side of Highland Avenue, in said Medford, at point marked A on said plan; thence running northerly, northeasterly and easterly, curving to the right on a radius of one hundred twenty feet, two hundred seventy-one and twenty-two one-hundredths (271.22) feet, more or less; thence south 81° 15' east three hundred twenty-one and twenty-one one-hundredths (321.21) feet; thence more easterly, curving to the left on a radius of twelve hundred and thirty feet, by two measurements, one hundred eighty-eight and sixty-nine one-hundredths (188.69) feet and eight and forty-five one-hundredths (8.45) feet; thence north 87° 34' east ninety-three and four one-hundredths (93.04) feet; thence more southerly, curving to the right on a radius of three hundred thirty feet, two hundred thirty-two and eighty-eight one-hundredths (232.88) feet; thence south 50° east, by two measurements, forty-three and sixty-eight one-hundredths (43.68) feet and forty-four and twenty one-hundredths (44.20) feet; thence still more southerly, curving to the right on a radius of four hundred ten feet, one hundred eighty-seven and eighty-four one-hundredths (187.84) feet; thence south 23° 45' east, on two measurements, seventeen and ninety-five one-hundredths

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(17.95) feet and forty and seventy one-hundredths (40.70) feet; thence more easterly, curving to the left on a radius of five hundred feet, one hundred forty-six and twenty one-hundredths (146.20) feet; thence south 40° 28' east, crossing the line between said Medford and said Malden, three hundred ten (310) feet to a stake (the whole line, from the point of beginning to this last-named stake, being coincident with the boundary line of the reservation established by said Metropolitan Park Commission by its taking dated Feb. 2, 1894, accompanied by Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 7, duly recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, book 2257, page 1, reference to which is hereby made); thence turning back at an acute angle, and running north-westerly, curving slightly to the left on a radius of seventeen hundred nineteen and one-tenth feet, one hundred sixty-eight and fifty one-hundredths (168.50) feet to a stake; thence north 48° 58' west forty and twenty one-hundredths (40.20) feet to a stake; thence more northerly, curving to the right on a radius of six hundred thirty-seven and thirty one-hundredths feet, two hundred thirty three and fifty-eight one-hundredths (233.58) feet to a stake; thence northerly 27° 58' west, by two measurements, one hundred six and sixty one-hundredths (106.60) feet to a stake and seventy-eight and forty-eight one-hundredths (78.48) feet to a stake; thence continuing north-westerly and westerly and south-westerly, curving to the left on a radius of three hundred twenty-eight and seven-tenths feet, by three measurements, one hundred sixteen and sixty-five one-hundredths (116.65) feet to a stake, three hundred four and seventy one-hundredths (304.70) feet to a stake, and thirty-nine and eighty one-hundredths (39.80) feet, respectively, to a stake; thence south 71° 39' west ninety-three and thirty one-hundredths (93.30) feet to a stake; thence more westerly, curving to the right

on a radius of one hundred eighteen and eighty-six hundredths feet, by two measurements, about two hundred ten and ninety-seven one-hundredths (210.97) feet to a stake and, about one hundred seven (107) feet, respectively, to a stake, crossing the boundary line between Shepardson on the north and Cusineau on the south; thence north 84°56' west fifty-nine and eighty-five one-hundredths (59.85) feet to a stake; thence south-westerly, curving to the left on a radius of three hundred thirty-nine and six-tenths feet, one hundred sixty and seventy one-hundredths (160.70) feet to a stake; thence south-westerly and southerly, curving sharply to the left on a radius of twenty feet, thirty-five and sixteen one-hundredths (35.16) feet to a point marked B on said plan, in the easterly side line of said Highland Avenue in said Medford; thence northerly, bounded westerly by said Highland Avenue, thirty-four and sixty one-hundredths (34.60) feet to the point of beginning. Said described premises consisting of a strip of land contiguous to the reservation heretofore established as aforesaid, and comprising, as shown upon plan accompanying this instrument, about eighty one-hundredths of an acre taken from the heirs of L. F. A. Cusineau, about one and nineteen one-hundredths acres taken from A. Frank Shepardson, about one hundred ninety-five one-thousandths of an acre taken from Samuel C. Lawrence, about one hundred thirty-six one-thousandths of an acre taken from Samuel G. Dexter, about twenty-five one-hundredths of an acre taken from C. O. Plowerth.

The second parcel, lying wholly in said Malden, and a little easterly from the first parcel, is bounded as follows: beginning at a point marked C upon the plan accompanying this instrument in the south-westerly boundary line of the reservation heretofore established as aforesaid, and thence running south

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45° 18' east, by two measurements, one hundred seventy (170) feet and nine and thirty-one one-hundredths (9.31) feet; thence more southerly, curving to the right on a radius of two hundred twenty feet, one hundred eighty-nine and fifty-two one-hundredths (189.52) feet; thence south 4° 3' 30" west one hundred nineteen and sixty-six one-hundredths (119.66) feet; thence southerly, curving to the left on a radius of two hundred and twenty feet, thirty five (35) feet to a stake (the whole line, from the point of beginning to this last-named stake, being coincident with the boundary line of the reservation established by said Metropolitan Park Commission by its taking dated Feb. 2, 1894, accompanied by Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 7, duly recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, book 2257, page 1, reference to which is hereby made); thence turning back at an acute angle, and running north 5° west sixty-eight and twenty-eight one-hundredths (68.28) feet to a stake; thence more westerly, curving to the left on a radius of five hundred sixty-seven and twenty eight one-hundredths (567.28) feet, by two measurements, two hundred forty (240) feet to a stake and thirty-four and ninety one-hundredths (34.90) feet to a stake; thence still more westerly, curving to the left on a radius of seventeen hundred nineteen and one-tenth feet, one hundred fifty-six (156) feet to a stake, at the point marked C on said plan as aforesaid. Said described premises, consisting of a strip of land contiguous to the reservation heretofore established as aforesaid, and comprising, as shown upon plan accompanying this instrument, about six one-hundredths of an acre taken from C. O. Blomerth and about one hundred ninety-five one-thousandths of an acre taken from C. F. Paine; or however otherwise said parcels or either of them may be bounded, measured or

described.

Witness our hands, this eighteenth day of October, A.D. 1894.

Metropolitan Park Commission

The Board adjourned at 4.35 to meet on Friday October 19, at 1.30 P.M.

A. S. Carruth Secretary

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Report of the sixty-first (61st) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, October 19, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs. P. A. Chase & Wm. Richards.

On motion of Mr. Richards the following order of taking of a portion of the West Roxbury Parkway was passed.

The Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners
October 18, 1894.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled, "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and by chapter 288 of the Acts of the year 1894, entitled "An Act to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to construct roadways

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and "overrode," and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said acts, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying in the city of Boston, in the county of Suffolk, and shown on plan marked "Plan of Taking for Parkway in West Roxbury by Metropolitan Park Commission, . . . Boston, Oct. 10, 1894, William Jackson, City Engineer, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 16, the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows, viz.: a strip or parcel of land lying next to and northerly and in continuation of the Parkway in West Roxbury, so called, described in a taking bearing even date herewith and shown upon Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 13 accompanying the same, beginning at a point marked A on the plan herein first above referred to in the south-easterly side line of Arnold Avenue; thence running northerly, curving to the right on a radius of three thousand feet, sixty-nine and seventeen one-hundredths (69.17) feet to a stake in the north-westerly side line of said avenue; thence continuing on the same curve one hundred twenty-three and nine one-hundredths (123.09) feet to a stake; thence continuing on the same curve forty and eighty-seven one-hundredths (40.87) feet to a stake; thence continuing on the same curve one hundred forty seven and ninety-three (147.93) feet to a stake; thence continuing on the same curve thirty and forty-

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one-hundredths ([illegible]) feet to a stake; thence continuing on the same curve forty-six and five one-hundredths (46.05) feet to a stake on the southerly line of the location of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company; thence continuing on the same curve seventy-one and thirty-seven one-hundredths (71.37) feet to a stake within the location of said railroad company; thence northerly, curving still more to the right on a radius of nineteen hundred, thirty-five and thirty-nine one-hundredths feet, eleven and sixty-two one-hundredths (11.62) feet to a stake on the northerly line of said location; thence on the same curve one hundred ten and fifty-one one-hundredths (110.51) feet to a stake; thence on the same curve eighty-two and sixty-five one-hundredths (82.65) feet to a stake in the south-westerly side line of a right of way so called, shown on said plan; thence on the same curve thirty-three and seven-tenths (33.7) feet to a stake; thence north-easterly and easterly, curving sharply to the right on a radius of twenty feet, twenty and fifty-seven one-hundredths (20.57) feet to a stake in the south-easterly side line of Centre Street, so called, shown on said plan; thence north-easterly by a straight line, crossing said Centre Street obliquely, one hundred one and seventy one-hundredths (101.70) feet to a bolt in the stone wall on the north-westerly side of said Centre Street; thence south-westerly, westerly and northerly, curving to the right on a radius of twenty feet, forty-four and twenty-nine one-hundredths (44.29) feet to a stake; thence about northerly thirteen (13) feet to a stake; thence northerly, curving to the left on a radius of forty hundred [illegible] and eighty-three one-hundredths feet, by three measurements, one hundred fifty-eight and twelve one-hundredths (158.12) feet to centre of a stone wall, three hundred thirteen and eleven one-hundredths (313.11) feet to a stake, two hundred thirty and seventy-one one-hundredths (230.71) feet to a stake, respectively; thence northerly twenty-eight

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and fifty-two one-hundredths (28.52) feet to a stake; thence northerly and easterly and south-easterly, curving to the right on a radius of twenty feet, forty-six and seventy-eight one-hundredths (46.78) feet to a bolt in the stone wall on the south-westerly side of Church Street, so called, shown on said plan; thence north-westerly, crossing said Church Street obliquely seventy-three and fifty one-hundredths (73.50) feet to a bolt in the stone wall on the north-easterly side line of said Church Street; thence north-westerly and northerly, curving to the right on a radius of forty feet, thirty-two and fifteen one-hundredths (32.15) feet to a stake; thence northerly one hundred seventy-eight (178) feet to a stake; thence northerly again, curving to the right on a radius of twenty-eight hundred sixty-four and ninety-three one-hundredths feet, by three measurements, two hundred eighty-nine and sixty-nine one-hundredths (289.69) feet to centre of stone wall, two hundred forty-five and eighty-nine one-hundredths (245.89) feet to centre of stone wall, and two hundred forty-four and forty-six one-hundredths (244.46) feet to a stake; thence north-easterly, curving to the right on a radius of eleven hundred forty-six and twenty-eight one-hundredths feet, by two measurements, one hundred eighty-six and forty-five one-hundredths (186.45) feet to centre of stone wall and one hundred forty-nine and fourteen one-hundredths (149.14) feet to a stake; thence north-easterly or easterly, curving sharply to the right on a radius of forty feet, forty-seven and seventy-five one-hundredths (47.75) feet to a bolt in the stone wall on the south-westerly side of Weld Street, so called, shown on said plan; thence north-easterly, more easterly, crossing said Weld Street obliquely, sixty-nine and ten one-hundredths (69.10) feet to a bolt in the stone wall on the north-easterly side of said Weld Street; thence turning at an acute angle

and running north-westerly along said north-easterly side line of said Weld Street three hundred sixty-two and ninety-one one-hundredths (362.91) feet to a bolt in the wall in the north-easterly side line of said Weld Street; thence south-westerly, across said Weld Street, forty-one (41) feet to a bolt in the stone wall in the south-westerly side of said Weld Street; thence easterly, south-easterly and southerly, by a curve on a radius of twenty feet, thirty-one and seventy-seven one-hundredths (31.77) feet to a stake; thence south-westerly, curving to the right with a radius of nineteen hundred ten and eight one-hundredths feet, one hundred seventy-eight and twenty-six one-hundredths (178.26) feet to a stake; thence south-westerly, by a straight line, two hundred twenty-three and ninety-one one-hundredths (223.91) feet to a stake; thence south-westerly and southerly, curving to the left on a radius of nineteen hundred ten and eight one-hundredths feet, three hundred twenty and twenty-five one-hundredths (320.25) feet to centre of stone wall; thence on the same curve sixty-~~two~~ one and forty one-hundredths (61.40) feet to centre of stone wall; thence on the same curve two hundred and eight one-hundredths (200.08) feet to a stake; thence southerly, by a straight line, one hundred seventy-four and sixty-seven one-hundredths (174.67) feet to a stake; thence southerly, south-westerly, westerly and north-westerly, curving sharply to the right on a radius of twenty feet, forty-six and forty-one one-hundredths (46.41) feet to a stake in the south-easterly side line of said Church Street; thence south-easterly, nearly southerly, crossing said Church Street, obliquely, seventy-three and twenty one-hundredths (73.20) feet to a bolt in the wall on the south-westerly side line of said Church Street; thence south-easterly and southerly, curving to the right on a radius of forty feet, thirty-two and fifteen one-hundredths (32.15) feet to a stake;

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thence south-westerly, nearly southerly, by a straight line, two hundred fifty and seventy-nine one-hundredths (250.79) feet to a stake; thence south-westerly, more westerly, curving to the right on a radius of thirty-eight hundred nineteen and eighty-three one-hundredths feet, sixty-four and sixty-four one-hundredths (64.64) feet to centre of stone wall; thence on the same curve one hundred eighty and eighty-four one-hundredths (180.84) feet to centre of stone wall; thence on the same curve four hundred twenty-one and fifty-five one-hundredths (421.55) feet to a stake; thence southerly, by a straight line, fifty-nine and seventy one-hundredths (59.70) feet to a stake; thence more southerly, curving to the left on a radius of twenty-one hundred thirty-five and thirty-nine one-hundredths feet, one hundred nineteen and sixty one-hundredths (119.60) feet to a stake; thence southerly and south-westerly, curving sharply to the right on a radius of twenty feet, twenty-three and eighty-nine one-hundredths (23.89) feet to a bolt in the stone wall in the north-westerly side of said Centre Street; thence southerly, crossing said Centre Street obliquely, sixty-eight (68) feet to a stake in the south-easterly side line of said Centre Street; thence easterly, south-easterly and southerly, curving sharply to the right on a radius of twenty feet, thirty-seven and sixty-one one-hundredths (37.61) feet to a stake; thence southerly, curving to the left on a radius of twenty-one hundred thirty-five and thirty-nine one-hundredths feet, one hundred thirty-five and fifty-four one-hundredths (135.54) feet to a stake; thence southerly, curving to the left on a radius of thirty-two hundred feet, seventeen (17) feet to a stake in the northerly side line of location of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company; thence on the same curve, crossing the location of said Railroad Company,

eighty-three and fifty-three one-hundredths (83.53) feet to a stake in the southerly side line of the location of said railroad; thence on the same curve one hundred one and one one-hundredths (101.01) feet to a stake; thence on the same curve forty-one and sixty-seven one-hundredths (41.67) feet to a stake; thence on the same curve one hundred eighteen and ninety one-hundredths (118.90) feet to a stake; thence on the same curve eighty-eight and twenty one-hundredths (88.20) feet to a stake in the north-easterly side line of Beech Street, so called, as shown on said plan; thence on the same curve, crossing said Beech Street obliquely, forty-three and fifty-eight one-hundredths (43.58) feet to a stake in the south-westerly side line of said Beech Street; thence on the same curve one hundred eighty-six and twenty-five one-hundredths (186.25) feet to a stake in the north-westerly side line of said Anawan Avenue; thence on the same curve, crossing said Anawan Avenue obliquely, sixty-five and seventy-eight one-hundredths (65.78) feet to a stake in the south-easterly side line of said Anawan Avenue, at a point marked B on said plan; thence turning at an acute angle, and running north-easterly by a line co-incident with the south-easterly side line of said Anawan Avenue, one hundred sixty-seven and ninety-one one-hundredths (167.91) feet to a point formed by the intersection of said side line of said Anawan Avenue with the south-westerly side of said Beech Street; thence by the same line continued, crossing Beech Street (substantially at right angles), to a point formed by the intersection of said side line of said Anawan Avenue with the north-easterly side line of said Beech Street; thence continuing in the same straight line, being said side line of said Anawan Avenue, sixty-seven and twenty-one one-hundredths (67.21) feet to a stake at the point marked A on said plan, the place of beginning.

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Expressly excepting, however, from the operation of this instrument of taking so much of the land above described, shown on said plan, as is comprised within that portion of the location of said New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company included in the foregoing description.

Comprising, exclusive of the location of said railroad, twenty-five (25) distinct parcels of land, numbered consecutively upon said plan 88 to 113 inclusive, excepting No. 100, belonging to said railroad as aforesaid, said parcels, other than streets, being owned, according to the best information and belief of said Commissioners, by the following-named persons, the numbers of the respective lots, according to the numbering on said plan, being given after their respective names: Edward P. Morrill et al, 91, 92 and 97; Henry Schulenkorf, 93; William Doherty, 94; Frank S. Bradbury, 95; C. F. and D. F. Decatur, 96; Cyrus Hosmer, 98; Daniel S. Meserve, 99; George E. Black and William S. Mitchell, 101; Louis C. Margot, 102; Elise R. Piguet, 103; Benjamin Brown heirs, 105; First Parish, West Roxbury, 106; Aaron D. Weld heirs, 107, 109, 110 and 111; Alice Williams, 112.

The following-named parcels are public streets of the city of Boston, and the numbers given after each plan are according to said plan: Anawan Avenue, 88 and 90; Beech Street, 89; Centre Street, 104; Church Street, 108; Weld Street, 113.

Witness our hands, this eighteenth day of October, A.D. 1894.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

Taking. W.R.P. Taking W.R. Border

On motion of Mr. Richards the following order of taking of a portion of the West Roxbury Parkway was passed.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners

October [illegible], 1894.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes, and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act.

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and by chapter 288 of the Acts of the 1894, entitled "An Act to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to construct roadways and boulevards," and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said acts, and for all the purposes therein provided, respectively, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying in the city of Boston, in the county of Suffolk, and shown on plan marked "Plan of Taking for Parkway in West Roxbury by Metropolitan Park Commission, made under the direction of the Board of Survey of the City of Boston, Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot, Landscape Architects," dated Boston, July 25, 1894, being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 13, the original of which is to be recorded [illegible]

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herewith and, the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows (the same including all those lands, rights in land, easements, privileges and appurtenances which are described in the taking made by said Metropolitan Park Commission dated April 30, 1894, and recorded June 27, 1894, with Suffolk Deeds, book 2208, page 182, accompanied by Plan of said Commissioners, No. 12), viz.: beginning at the northerly corner of Washington Street and Lagrange Street, thence running north-easterly, bounded south-easterly by the north-westerly side line of said Washington Street, fourteen hundred fifteen and fifty-two one-hundredths feet to a stone monument; thence running south-westerly, westerly and north-westerly, by a curve with a radius of thirty feet, seventy and nineteen one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence continuing north-westerly, nearly northerly, one hundred fourteen and twenty-four one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence north-westerly, but bending to the west, by a curve with a radius of twenty-five hundred feet, eighteen hundred seventy-four and ninety-one one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence continuing north-westerly, by a straight line, five hundred feet to a stake; thence north-westerly, curving to the right on a radius of three thousand feet, seven hundred eighty-five and forty one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence curving more to the north, on a radius of twelve hundred feet, four hundred thirty-seven and forty-one one-hundredths feet; thence curving still more to the north, on a radius of three thousand feet, three hundred fourteen and eighty-six one-hundredths feet to a stake in the south-easterly side line of Anawan Avenue, so called, which stake is distant sixty-seven and twenty-one

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one-hundredths feet north-easterly, measured on said side line from the south-easterly corner of said Anawan Avenue and Beech Street, so called, shown on said plan; thence turning an acute angle from said last-named stake and running south-westerly by said side line of said Anawan Avenue to another stake in said side line, which is distant south-westerly one hundred sixty-seven and ninety-one one-hundredths feet, measured along said side line from a stone monument at the southerly corner of said Anawan Avenue and said Beech Street; thence running from said last-named stake south-easterly, nearly southerly, on a radius of thirty-two hundred feet, one hundred fifty-three and fifty-nine one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence south-easterly, curving to the left on a radius of two thousand feet, ten hundred, ninety-one and twenty-seven one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence on a straight line south-easterly seven hundred feet to a stake; thence south-easterly, curving to the right, on a radius of twenty-five hundred feet, six hundred fifty-four and fifty one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence more southerly, curving to the right on a radius of seven hundred fifty feet, three hundred ninety-two and sixty-nine one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence southerly and westerly, curving sharply to the right on a radius of two hundred seventy feet, three hundred seventy-six and ninety-nine one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence nearly westerly, by a straight line, one hundred feet to a stake; thence south-westerly, curving to the left on a radius of seven hundred feet, four hundred eighty-eight and sixty-nine one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence south-westerly and southerly, curving to the left on a radius of four hundred fifty-eight and thirty-four one-hundredths feet, four hundred eight and sixty-six one-hundredths feet to a stake; thence southerly and westerly, on a sharp reverse curve

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with a radius of twenty feet, forty-nine and sixty-one one-hundredths feet to a stone monument in the north-easterly side line of said Lagrange Street; thence in a general south-easterly direction along said north-easterly side line of said Lagrange Street one thousand twenty and forty-five one-hundredths feet to the point of beginning, comprising eighty seven (87) distinct parcels of land, as shown by red figures upon said plan, said parcels being owned, according to the best information and belief of said Commissioners, by the following-named persons, the numbers of the respective lots being given after their respective names: Harriet L. Adams, 30; Elizabeth A. Black, 85; Waldo H. Blake, 72; William D. Blakemore, 2, 12, 22, 26, 28, 34, 36, 38, 42, 47, 51, 55, 69, 71; city of Boston, 4; Herbert J. Butler, 45; Cornelius Cooper, 57; Isabelle and Annie Cooper, 35; Marie L. Crowell, 86; Frederick C. Mc Damm, 44; Lizzie A. Damm, 56; Theodore Dolle, 25; James Dowling, 82; William G. Dunn, 68; Louise Durant, 27, 33, 49; Letitia D. Evans and John E. Blakemore, 80; Julia E. Eichler, 62; John Fink, 53; Albert S. Green, 66; William and Edward Ruhl Habich, 74, 76, 78; Michael Hanrahan, 50; Charles A. Hanson, 10, 15; Sophia Hasenfus, 23; heirs of Clarence Hazlewood, 87; Alice J. Hennessey, 37; Albert E. Hentz and William G. Dunn, 46; Mary A. Hogan, 40; William F. Holl, 21; John J. Karcher, 20; A. M. Keller, 5; Anna M. Lemmler, 24; Edgar H. Loveren, 18; Albert Ludlam, 61; Edward P. Morrill et al., 83; Lawrence Mulqueeney, 41; Dennis T. O'Leary, 39; William C. Patterson, 19; John A. Pigcott, 14; trustees of Roxbury Grammar School, 79; William C. Ritzel, 54; Philip Roemelsberger, 60, 64; John M. Sibley, 8; James Stanley, 48; Joshua Stanley, 58; Elizabeth E. Stevens, 7; Daniel Sullivan, 32; heirs of William Sumner, 1; Charlotte A. Taylor et al., 3; William H. Weir and William Crowe, 11; Romanzo N. Whitwell, 6; Minnie

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E. Nordside, 29; Marion L. Nordward, 81.

Excepting, however, so much land, also excepted from said prior taking, included within the lines of the foregoing description as belongs to said city of Boston for purposes of water supply, and also excepting any rights of way and other rights to said excepted parcel appertaining, or to said city belonging.

The following named parcel is a public street of the city of Boston, namely, Bellevue Park, shown as lot No. 13.

The following parcels are private streets, and the ownership thereof is believed to follow that of the abutting owners, namely, Adelaide Terrace, shown as lots 9 and 16; Farrington Street, lot 84; Goldmark Street, lots 43 and 70; Liszt Street, lots 63 and 77; Nikisch Avenue, lot 65; Rubinstein Street, lots 52 and 73; Schubert Street, lots 59 and 75; Schumann Street, lots 31 and 67; Wagner Street, lot 17.

Witness our hands, this eighteenth day of October, A. D. 1894.

Metropolitan Park Commission

Adjourned at 2 P. M. to meet on Monday, October 22nd, at 12 M.

W. S. Eliot [signature] Secretary.

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Records of the sixty-second (62nd) meeting (special) of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Monday, October 22nd, at 12 M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs. P. A. Chase, Curran and Richards, Mr. W. L. Chase coming in late.

The reading of the records of the preceding meetings was postponed to the next meeting of the Commission.

Mr. Adams, as the committee to whom was referred

the question of the bill of Charles E. C. Breck, of Milton, for services as surveyor, etc., in the Blue Hills Reservation, amounting to $870. reported that in his judgment while the bill was excessive that as certain work had been done as alleged in the bill, he would advise that the bill be paid and that Mr. Breck be notified that his services in future would not be required.

C. Eustis — 1 Mr. Adams, as the committee to whom was referred the settlement of land taken from Mr. W. E. C. Eustis of Milton, reported that he had visited Mr. Eustis and examined the land taken from him by the Commission, especially in reference to the spring existing on said land and which Mr. Eustis has been for some time past using for the water supply of his residence. No objection appearing as to its continued use for this purpose the committee recommended that a settlement be made with Mr. Eustis on the basis of $125. per acre with the right to take the water from said spring.

C. Supt. B.H.R. — 2 Mr. Adams, as the committee to whom was referred the question of the appointment of Mr. Frank Dings as Superintendent of one of the Reservations, reported recommending that Mr. Dings be employed as the resident Superintendent of the Blue Hills Reservation.

The above three reports were accepted and the recommendations adopted.

3 A discussion was had in relation to the further proceedings under the Boulevard Act, participated in by the different members of the Board. At the conclusion of the discussion Mr. Richards moved that in the opinion of this Board it is unwise that any further expenditures be made under the Boulevard Act. The motion was rejected.

1 On motion of Mr. Casas it was

Ordered: — That the Secretary prepare taking plans from Harland Street to the Blue Hills Reservation according to the plans of Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot.

2 Mr. Casas moved

That the Secretary prepare taking plans from the Harland Street entrance to the Mattapan Square for a boulevard according to the plans of Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot; from Salem Street, Medford, and Pleasant Street, Malden, to the Fells, according to the plans of Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot; and from West Medford to Pleasant Street, Winchester, according to the plans of Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot.

On this question the ayes and nays being called for the Secretary called the roll, as follows:— The Chairman, no; P. A. Chase, yes; W. B. de las Casas, yes; A. L. Richards, no; W. L. Chase, yes. Three having voted in the affirmative and two in the negative, the three orders were passed.

3 On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Ordered: — That the various sub-committees be authorized to construct wood roads or paths in the various reservations under their charge, as follows:— In the Blue Hills not exceeding ten miles; in the Middlesex Fells not exceeding six miles; in the Stony Brook not exceeding four miles; in Beaver Brook not exceeding one mile: costs to be charged to the Boulevard Loan.

4 On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase it was

Ordered: — That the landscape architects be directed to prepare plans showing the line of abandonment from the head of Mountain Avenue to Washington Street, and thence along Washington Street and Pond Street to Emerson Street, Melrose, in the Middlesex Fells Reservation.

1 On motion of Mr. Casas it was

Ordered:-- That the landscape architects prepare plans showing a line of abandonment through the property known as the Greeley estate in Winchester in the Middlesex Fells Reservation.

2 On motion of Mr. Casas it was

Ordered:-- That the matter of the abandonment of certain land belonging to Mr. B. F. Dutton in Malden be referred to a sub-committee to report, at a future meeting, of this Board.

The Chair appointed Messrs P. A. Chase and Casas as sub-committee.

3 On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase it was

Ordered:-- That the Secretary be instructed to prepare plans of taking of the Magoun property immediately adjoining the Summer Street entrance of the Middlesex Fells Reservation in Malden

4 On motion of Mr. Casas it was

Ordered:-- That the Secretary be authorized to employ fifty men in addition to those now employed in the Blue Hills Reservation and twenty-five men in addition to those now employed in the Middlesex Fells Reservation.

Adjourned at 4.45 P.M. to meet on Thursday, October 25, at 1.30 P.M.

A. S. Cummith Secretary.

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Oct. 25, 1894.

Report of the sixty-third (63rd) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 11, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, October 25th, 1894, at 1.30 P.M.

Present; The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase, Casas and Richards.

The records of the 60th and 61st meetings were read and accepted.

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The Secretary reported the number of men employed as follows:--

Blue Hills Reservation
3 Foremen, 44 Laborers.
Boulevard Department.
1 Foreman, 15 Laborers,
Middlesex Fells Reservation.
3 Foremen, 19 Laborers,
Boulevard Department,
1 Foreman, 24 Laborers.
Stony Brook Reservation,
1 Foreman, 9 Laborers.

c. Hoosic Whisic Club.

1 Mr. Adams, as a committee on the matter of the Hoosic Whisic Club, reported recommending that the said club be given leave to withdraw on their petition for a continuance of their lease from March 1st, 1895. The report was accepted and the recommendations adopted, and the Secretary was instructed to notify said club of the decision of the Board.

c. Surveys

2 The Secretary submitted a schedule of bids for the topographical survey of the Reservations in answer to an advertisement published in the newspapers in the city of Boston, as follows:--

		Blue Hills	Middlesex Fells
A. T. Ross,	Waltham	25.	20.
Shedd and Sawle	Worcester	17.	20.
Edward P. Adams	Medford,	12.25	12.25
Morton and Quimby	Boston	12.	10.
William B. Harris	Springfield	10.	10.
McClintock and Woodfall	Boston.	10.	10.
John H. Pearson,	Louisville, Ky	10.	8.
George S. Rice and George E. Evans	Boston,	7.75	8.95
James Zollinger	Louisville, Ky.	7.30	7.60
Brett and Bailey	Boston	6.40	6.40
Sidney Smith	"	5.50	6.60
A. L. Sprague	"	6.	6
William T. Pierce	"	5.25	4.80

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		Blue Hills	Middlesex Fells
Aspinwall and Lincoln	Boston	5.25	5.25
Chase and Barry	"	5.34	5
William Kelly,	South Boston,	5.	5.
Frank A. Foster and John N. McClintock	Boston	5.	5.
T. F. Richardson	"	5.25	5
C. Atherton Hicks	Needham	5.	5.
Charles A. Bowman	Winchester	4.88	4.88
B. R. Felton and Chester W. Smith,	Marlboro;	4.74	3.44
J. Edwin Jones –	Jamaica Plain.	4.70	3.45
Harriman Bros.	Boston,	4.25	3.75
Edward Hawes, Jr –	E. Milton	4.12	4.12
Marquand and Stearns	Watertown	4.40	3.70
Frederick R. Page.	Boston	3.69	3.69
Gray and Blaisdell	"	4.21	3.87
Potter and Folwell	New York City	3.	3.25
Hodges and Harrington	Boston,	3.25	3.25
Nash and Hunter	"	3.25	3.25
E. Worthington, Jr.	"	3.25	3.25
Edmund Grover,	East Walpole,	3.	3.
Robert A. Cummings,	Philadelphia, Pa.	2.95	
	both reservations for – 3.59		
French and Bryant, and Gordon H. Taylor	Brookline,	2.85	2.60
E. A. W. Hammatt,	Boston,	2.45	2.45
M. J. Look, George W. Booth and Daniel T. Clarke	"	2.30	2.30
J. B. Haviland,	Ludlow,	1.50	1.50
W. M. Meserole,	Brooklyn, N.Y.	1.45	1.65
Ivar L. Sjostrom	Lawrence,	1.35	1.25
William N. McCullough,	Lebanon, Pa –	.60	.60.

On motion of Mr. Richards the matter was referred to the landscape architects and the Secretary with instructions to report at the next meeting of the Board.

A communication was received from the City Solicitor of Malden in relation to the claim of the City of Malden, on account of the taking of the Bears Den Rifle Range – On motion of Mr.

Cases the matter was referred to the Chair.

The Secretary submitted a letter from C. S. S. [illegible]

1 of Charlestown relating to the value of land on the Charles River belonging to the County. The letter was ordered placed on file.

On motion of Mr. [illegible] the landscape

2 architects were instructed to submit plans for an entrance to the Stony Brook Reservation from [illegible] Street in Hyde Park.

The Secretary submitted a proposition from Sarah

3 A. Bacon of Winchester for the settlement of land taken from her near the Winchester South Reservoir in the city of Medford in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for $[illegible] an acre. On motion of Mr. [illegible] the offer was declined.

Wm. B. Blakemore declined. Sec. authorized to offer for $20,000.

The Secretary submitted a proposition from Mr.

4 William B. Blakemore to settle his claim for about 300,000 feet of land taken from him and situated on Bellevue Hill and the West Roxbury Parkway for $30,000. The proposition was declined and the Secretary was authorized to offer Mr. Blakemore the sum of $20,000.

Secretary reporting relative to having apparatus in fire [illegible]

The Secretary reported relative to having

5 certain apparatus placed in the fire engine house of the Milton Fire Department at the Milton Churches for the use of said department in locating fires in the Blue Hills Reservation. The whole matter was referred to the Secretary to report at a later meeting.

The Secretary submitted the name of Edward

6 Gleason of Quincy to be a patrolman in the Blue Hills Reservation to fill the vacancy made by the discharge of Officer Craig. On motion of the Chair the nomination was confirmed.

Appointments Police, Patrol.

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A letter was received from Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot, dated October 25, relative to the

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matter of road construction in the Reservations which was referred to the Chairman.

Adjourned at 2.45 P.M.

A. S. Cavuth Secretary.

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Oct. 30, 1894.

Report of the sixty-fourth (64th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, October 30th, 1894.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase, Locas and Richards, Mr. W. L. Chase coming in late.

The reading of the records of the preceding meetings was dispensed with.

The Secretary called up the matter of the
1 settlement of the land of William B. Blakemore, in
C. Blakemore the West Roxbury Parkway on Washington Street in West Roxbury, and submitted a proposition from Mr. Blakemore, which was the result of a conference with him, to settle the same for $25000. After a general discussion the matter was referred to a committee consisting of Mr. P. A. Chase and the Secretary.

The Secretary submitted a rough preliminary
2 estimate of the cost of the Middlesex Fells-Mystic
C. M.V.P. Valley Parkway through Winchester, reporting that in his judgment as nearly as could be ascertained the expense would be in the vicinity of $175000. A general discussion was had and the whole matter was laid upon the table.

Adjourned at 3.05 P.M.

A. S. Cavuth Secretary.

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Report of the sixty-fifth (65th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston,

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Thursday, November 1st, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase and Richards. Messrs Lane and H. L. Chase coming in late.

The records of the three preceding meetings were read and accepted.

The Secretary reported the number of men employed as follows:—

Beaver Brook Reservation,
1 Superintendent, 4 Laborers.
Blue Hills Reservation
3 Foremen, 44 Laborers.
Boulevard Department.
1 Foreman, 15 Laborers.
Middlesex Fells Reservation.
3 Foremen, 19 Laborers
Boulevard Department.
1 Foreman, 24 Laborers.
Stony Brook Reservation.
2 Foremen, 16 Laborers.

1 The Secretary submitted a proposition from the Ward Heirs, through A. S. Lamson, attorney, as follows;—For their holdings in the southern portion of the Beaver Brook Reservation, $750. an acre and $1000. damages to remaining portion of their land not taken. For that portion of their holding in the upper portion of the Reservation $1000. per acre. On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was instructed to further negotiate.

2 The Secretary submitted a proposition from George H. Morse for settlement of land taken from him inside the proposed line of abandonment in the Stony Brook Reservation, as follows:—The land on Brainard Street between Cleveland Street and Glenwood Avenue, being about 50,000 feet, more or less, for seven cents a foot and for the parcel on the Brainard Street extension three cents a

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foot, subject to the condition that the Brainard Street extension is to be built by the Commission and the cost to be divided one-half between the Commission and Mr. Morse, provided that the expense of the building of the said road is not to exceed one thousand dollars ($1000.) and to be completed by May 1st, 1895. On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase the Secretary was authorized to effect a settlement for not exceeding eight thousand dollars ($8000.) with the conditions as named in Mr. Morse's offer.

1 On motion of Mr. Lucas it was

C. Acquirement — Ordered:-- That the Secretary report at the next meeting of this Board the number of acres in each Reservation; second, the number of titles in each Reservation; third, the number of acres settled for in each Reservation; fourth, the number of owners still to be settled with in each Reservation. Also, an estimate of the titles in each Parkway.

2 C. Surveys — The Secretary submitted the following report on the matter of the bids for the topographical surveys and on motion of Mr. W. L. Chase it was especially assigned to the next meeting.—

November 1st, 1894.

Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir:--

The undersigned, the committee to whom was referred the bids for the topographical surveys of the Blue Hills and Middlesex Fells Reservations by vote of the Board passed October 25, begs leave to report as follows:--

I have very carefully considered the various bids and would recommend that the Blue Hills be divided into two nearly equal portions, one portion being east of Randolph Avenue and one portion being west of Randolph Avenue; that one of these sections be awarded to McClintock and Foster, whose bid was

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five dollars ($5.00) an acre, the other to Cleft, Munroe & Lincoln whose bid was five dollars and twenty-five cents ($5.25) an acre; that the Middlesex Fells be awarded to French and Bryant whose bid was two dollars and sixty cents ($2.60) an acre.

Your committee does not deem it advisable to award a contract to any bidder below the sum of five dollars with the exception of French and Bryant who are well known as being qualified to fulfill the requirements of the specifications, but, as their bid is for per acre for the Middlesex Fells Reservation it would be materially increased if the acreage of the ponds and reservoirs were not included. Your committee feels that to do this work properly the expense must be in the vicinity of four or five dollars, that to award the contract to any bidders at a less price is assuming the risk of a failure to complete the work or of work of such character as to be of little or no value when completed. The urgent necessity for this work is the reason in the mind of your committee, not only for recommending the award being made as to parties above but also operates to cause them to recommend the splitting of the contracts that several competent parties may be simultaneously engaged in its prosecution.

The time occupied for this work need not exceed very much if any the period of one year, and undoubtedly, much of this work if the contract is awarded at once, could be completed in the early spring.

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) H. S. Carruth.

Letter from [illegible] Lyman

The Secretary submitted a letter from Mr. Arthur [illegible] Lyman [illegible] in relation to the boundary road

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to be constructed along the division line between the Middlesex Fells Reservation and land owned by said Lyman and was on motion of Mr. C. A. Chase especially assigned

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to the next meeting, and the Secretary was instructed to furnish the Board at its next meeting with a copy of the condition relating to said road building in deed of Hyman to the Commonwealth.

Messrs Eliot
Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot submitted a letter,
1 dated the 1st of November, upon the subject of the Winchester Parkway, which was ordered on file.

Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot also submitted a
2 communication dated November 1st, upon the subject of the Charles River. This was ordered placed on the table.

Adjourned at 3 P.M.

A. S. Garrett Secretary.

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Nov. 9, 1894.

Report of the sixty sixth (66th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Friday, November 9th, 1894.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase and Casas. W. L. Chase coming in late.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

1 The Secretary submitted the following report on
3 the status of the land settlements in the various Reservations.

November 7th, 1894.

Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir:--

In conformity with a vote passed at the last meeting of the Board directing me to report upon the status of the land settlements in the various reservations I submit the following statement:--

In the Blue Hills Reservation, containing about 3900 acres, there have been settled and paid for

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2837½ acres at a cost of $152,992.22, being an average price per acre of $53.67. There has been settled and not yet paid for 85 acres which will cost $2,695.50, or an average price per acre of $32.00. Taking the area that has been paid for and the area that has been settled but not yet paid for, it makes a total of 2923 acres at an expense of $188,687.72, or an average of $64.00 per acre. This leaves a little over a thousand acres yet to be settled, including such large lots as Hon. Roger Wolcott, 69 acres, and the Quincy Quarry Company's case, now in process of trial, and several others ranging all the way from two or three acres to thirty acres. The estimated price of this reservation was about $60. per acre, say, 3900 acres at $230,000. It is impossible to say at this time just how the final outcome will result owing to the uncertainty of the price which the Commission must pay to the Quincy Quarry Company, and also, owing to the fact that several owners at that end of the Reservation are awaiting the decision of that case to determine the price, in their own minds, of the lands which they now hold and which have not been settled, but it would seem that the price would not be very largely different from the original estimate.

In the Middlesex Fells the Commission has taken about 1600 acres of which it has paid for 198 acres at a cost of $70,377.80 or an average cost per acre of $355.45. It has settled and not yet paid for 80 acres at a cost of $17,600, or an average cost per acre of $218.63, making a total of paid for and settled 278 acres at a cost of $87,977.80, being an average cost of $316.90. In the Beaver Brook Reservation the Commission has taken about 58½ acres of which it has settled and paid for 3 acres at an expense of $4,000, and

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average per acre of $[illegible]46.17.

In the Stony Brook Reservation, including the West Roxbury Parkway, we have taken 631 acres. Portions of the Parkway have been settled at $[illegible]00., $1500., and $2000. per acre. No settlements have as yet been effected in the Stony Brook Reservation proper though one is in process of completion at the rate of $100. per acre. Two suits have already been instituted in this Reservation.

The vote passed at the last meeting requests the number of titles in each Reservation settled for and the number of those not settled for. In the case of the Blue Hills there have been 115 titles settled for. Those remaining unsettled are probably about [illegible], it being impossible to determine the number of titles.

In the Middlesex Fells Reservation there have been 23 titles settled, and in this case as in that of the Blue Hills it is absolutely impossible at this stage of the settlement to determine at all approximately the number of titles. Nearly every day develops some new titles not known before to exist and any plans that I have yet been able to obtain have failed conspicuously to show the true owners of the lands.

In the Stony Brook Reservation there are, in the Boston Section 31 titles, in the Hyde Park Section 55 titles and in the Parkway 67 titles.

In the Beaver Brook Reservation there are seven titles.

In the Parkways the surveys are not sufficiently advanced to afford the data of any estimate as to the number of titles. It would be entirely untrustworthy were I to furnish any statement in this particular.

Respectfully submitted
(signed) H. S. Carruth - Secre[illegible]

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The Secretary submitted, at the request of the owners, for the second time the following offers of land within the Middlesex Fells Reservation.

1 Wm. Bryant about 11½ acres at $350 an acre; [illegible] 10 acres at $250 an acre and [illegible] 2 acres for $300. On motion of Mr. Curtis the Secretary was instructed to decline the first two offers and accept the last.

The Secretary submitted to the Board the appoint-
2 ment made by him of Frank P. Haynes to be Superintendent and Chief of Police of Middlesex Fells Reservation, and, on motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the appointment was approved.

3 The special assignment for this meeting, viz., the report of the Secretary on the bids for the topographical survey, was taken up and ordered placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Curtis it was

Ordered:— That the Secretary be directed to prepare and present to this Board for its approval a contract with Messrs French and Bryant and Gordon H Taylor for a topographical survey of the Blue Hills and Middlesex Fells Reservations, in accordance with the advertised specifications and the bid of said French and Bryant and their letter of November 6th.

The Secretary submitted a communication from
4 H. Lawrence Rotch in relation to the use by Harvard University of the Blue Hills Observatory, dated October 30th, 1894. Ordered placed on file.

Blue Hills Obs.

A hearing was given to the Board of Park
5 Commissioners of the Town of Dedham in relation to certain additions to the territory of the Stony Brook Reservation. The matter was taken under advisement.

Whitmore
6 The Secretary, for the committee to [illegible] [illegible]

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referred the question of the settlement of the land taken from William B. Blakemore, reported recommending a settlement as follows:—— $25,000. for all the land owned by Mr. Blakemore on Bellevue Hill with the exception of lot no. 12, being 23,975 feet at the rate of eight cents per square foot. The report of the committee was accepted and its recommendations adopted.

1 On motion of Mr. Casas it was

C. Supt. General (Acting)

Ordered:—— That Mr. Wilfred Rickemann be appointed acting General Superintendent of all the reservations under the charge of this Board, until otherwise ordered.

2 C. Stoneham

The Secretary was instructed to refer the matter of the Bear Hill Reservation to the Counsel of the Commission to draw such deeds as shall be satisfactory to the counsel for the town of Stoneham, and this Commission.

3 C. Weeks, C. Chandler

The Secretary was instructed to report on the value of the buildings owned by Mr. T. C. Weeks, known as "the Red Mills," and the farm buildings of Mr. Chandler, on Forest Street in the Middlesex Fells Reservation.

4 Secretary to offer Geo. W. Morse $500. additional for land taken but not previously considered. C. Morse

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the Secretary was instructed to offer Mr. George W. Morse the sum of $500. additional for land taken but not considered in the settlement heretofore made.

5 Adams. C. Organization

Mr. Adams submitted the following memorandum which was specially assigned to the next meeting.

Memorandum.

As the result of examinations recently made in the various reservations, I desire to submit to the Board the following memorandum relating to organization:

The elementary work for the doing of which

this Board was organized may now be considered as in large degree completed: that is, reservations aggregating some 7000 acres more or less have been acquired in various localities, and their ownership for all time by the Public ensured. The Board therefore, is now fairly entered on the second portion of its functions; that is, the development for Public use of what has thus been acquired.

The policy originally outlined by the Board as respects development was based on simplicity and economy. That is, the reservations, once secured, might safely be looked upon as secured for all time, and they would in the future undoubtedly be utilized in a larger and larger degree; but, as, under any circumstances, complicated organizations are apt to create themselves only too rapidly, the Board deemed it wise as well as safe to go slowly in the matter of development, and trust somewhat to time.

Bearing this steadily in mind, and feeling the utmost reluctance to the unnecessary piling-up of positions under the pretence of organization, I have [illegible], while visiting the different reservations during the last few weeks, been forcibly impressed by the fact that the present organization in charge of the work of the Board has been distinctly outgrown, and that considerations of economy, as well as efficiency, demand that it should be replaced by another organization more in consonance with the scattered and enlarged territorial area the Board has to supervise, and the more complicated functions it has to perform.

Originally our organization consisted practically of a Secretary. The Secretary was designed to be the executive officer of the Board, and responsible to it for the proper performance of

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their duties by its subordinate employees.

This organization was good so far as it went; and it sufficed after a fashion for the earlier stage of development. It had at least the advantage of simplicity and economy. But it is now apparent that conditions have come about, in proper regard to which would, in the case of any private individual, compel the adoption of another system; and what would hold good with private individuals holds good, of course, under similar circumstances, with public officials.

It is, for instance, difficult to suppose that a private individual spending, or preparing to spend, two millions of dollars of his own money in the acquiring of 8000 acres of land from probably 150 proprietors, then supplying the lands thus acquired with roads, afterwards policing them, and finally giving due attention to natural growth upon those soils, with a view to attaining the best practical and artistic results in a more or less remote hereafter,-- it is difficult, I say, to suppose that any private person so placed would undertake to look after his various interests except through a more or less complicated body of subordinates. If he did undertake so to do, he certainly would not bring about satisfactory results.

The examinations I have made lead me, therefore, to conclude that the organization which the work before the Board will now compel it to assume, divides itself into at least five distinct departments:--

1. The acquisition of reservations. This work has heretofore been attended to by the Secretary. It involves an immense mass of detail, especially in the settlement of claims. These claims will aggregate, before the Board has finished it

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work, probably $2,000,000. Each one of them necessitates a greater or less degree of personal contact with the parties who are to be dealt with, and a thorough business understanding of the interests and considerations involved. Only by pursuing this course could a private person hope to make the most advantageous terms possible for himself; and, of course, it devolves upon a public Board spending public money to use its best endeavors at least to attain this result.

I therefore recommend the appointment of a claim or title agent, upon whom shall be devolved the special work of negotiating for the acquisitions of land and bargaining for its price.

2. After the acquisition of lands comes the examination and preparation of titles,--the legal department. This has already been provided for, the necessity for such a department having asserted itself from the beginning.

3. Even before the acquisition of lands and perfecting of titles, comes the necessity of surveys. Since this Board was organized it has employed no less than nine different engineering firms, paying vouchers amounting to more than $16,000. for services rendered by them; and its extensive topographical work, estimated to cost in the neighborhood of $40,000. is not yet entered upon. A private individual engaged in a similar work would not proceed in this way. A railroad corporation never does; nor, indeed, could. The Board should, in my judgment, have its own surveying department, preserving its own notes and records.

4. After the lands are surveyed, acquired and the titles to them examined, the next stage in the process of development is to police them, to make them accessible, to protect them against

ies, and exercise general superintendence over them.

This is the department of superintendence, and has, under the pressure of necessity, been crudely, but, perhaps, so far sufficiently, provided for through Mr. Eckermann. In my judgment, one general superintendent for all the reservations is now necessary, to whom the several local park superintendents should report, and through whom they should receive all orders and directions, the secretary communicating with the general superintendent.

5. After the parks have been opened, policed, made accessible, and provided with adequate superintendence, there remains one other department of great importance,-- that of forestry.

As I have said, the Board either now has or soon will have in its hands more than 8000 acres, mainly woodland; and, even where the reservations are not distinctively wooded, they contain, as in the case of the Beaver Brook Reservation, large trees which require constant and skilful handling of a highly scientific character. It is probably not unsafe to say that in this respect the position of our Board is quite without precedent in America and an opportunity is afforded for a first-class lesson in forestry and tree culture, the results of which might be made very far reaching.

But it is manifestly unreasonable to expect good results in such a matter as this, dependent on artistic and scientific development, and to be brought about at best only after the lapse of many years, unless a well considered policy is pursued from the beginning. The reservations should, therefore, at the start, be laid out on the best principles both of forestry and landscape gardening. It will not do to indulge in a hap-hazard system,-- to have one policy

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pursued on one reservation and a different policy pursued in another. The whole should be guided and directed from one center.

There is a matter about which I am peculiarly solicitous. Unlike policing, road-building and surveying, forestry is something little understood or appreciated in America; and, in going through the reservations, nothing has concerned me so much as observing the permanent injury now going on, to which neglect and delay are contributing even more than ignorance and fire. The selection and development of the better class of individual native trees, and the planting and care of good foreign specimens is in my judgment the most fruitful field to which the Board can apply itself, and its specialty. In entering upon this work, also, there is, as I have said, no time to be lost. Our plantations being now, in almost every instance, young, are, for that reason, like children, very susceptible to injury; and while Nature cannot be hurried, it will move forward to future results of value only under intelligent direction. The twig gives its bent to the tree as well as the bough.

A department of forestry should, therefore, in my judgment be provided with as little delay as may be. In a comparatively short time a good head forester, having the supervision and care of the woods in all the reservations, would educate from his gangs a class of local foresters, the number of whom would be proportioned to the size of the several reservations, who could be relied upon to work under his general, though occasional, supervision. The foresters would also, to a great extent, act as police.

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It remains to define the functions and duties of the Commission, those of its secretary, and those of the landscape architect.

Experience has shown, especially in the case of the New York city parks, that in the case of a Park Board, one of the most delicate but important functions to define is the duties and authority reposed in and exercised by the various members of the Board. In New York, as is well known, individual commissioners, and especially a succession of chairmen, have, by injudicious interference, seriously marred the designs of the landscape architect, desiring to introduce their particular ideas of development into the general plan,-- so to speak, leave their individual mark somewhere upon it. I would submit, therefore, that it is in the interest of the Board and of the work it has in hand that it should be distinctly understood that, while the different commissioners act as sub-committees, to whom individually the care of the various reservations is more particularly confided, they should limit themselves strictly to general supervision and suggestion, that supervision being as unobtrusive as possible; moreover, it should be no less distinctly understood that any changes or suggestions individual commissioners may have to make should come not as orders to employees and subordinates, but, in all cases, either as suggestions to those immediately in charge, or, if they take the form of orders, by formal action of the Board officially expressed through its Secretary. This clear understanding in all hands of the authority and functions of the Commissioners will, moreover, be found necessary, as time goes on, as

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order to preserve discipline, and to enable subordinate officials to maintain their authority among employees. It will also be found that, unless some such rule is established, commissioners will from time to time infringe upon the Board, and will be desirous of assuming to themselves functions and authority which can only be properly exercised by the official advisers of the Board, or by designated and paid subordinates.

In the proposed organization also, to have it work successfully, it should be equally understood that the Secretary is the executive officer. To him the heads of the various departments should report; he must be in constant conference with the landscape architect; and while, of course, the landscape architect will be at full liberty to offer opinions and make suggestions when in personal contact with the several heads of departments and their subordinates, yet anything in the nature of rules and regulations, or orders, coming from the landscape architect should be made in the same manner as those coming from the various members of the Board; that is, they should in all cases be made and treated as suggestions, or opinions to be taken at what they are worth, unless, after formal submission, they have been acted upon and put in the form of votes by the Board, in which case they would be issued, counter-signed by the Secretary.

The proposed organization, therefore, may be summarized as follows:--

The Board of Commissioners would be supreme, exercising the powers and functions of a board of direction or legislative body. Under the Board, and reporting directly to it would be the landscape architect. The secretary would be the executive officer, and through him the various plans and recommendations outlined by the landscape architect would

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a plan in course of development, after adoption by the Board.

Under the Secretary, and reporting to him, would be the heads of the five several departments. First, Claims; Second, Titles; Third, Engineering; Fourth, Superintendence; and, Fifth, Forestry.

All orders regulating the details of the work in these various departments, when acted upon by the Board, would be issued from the secretary's office to the heads of departments directly.

It remains only to provide for the financial work of the organization. This would be in the hands of the Secretary, and his especial province; it being understood that in every case vouchers coming to him from the various departments should be initialed, or counter-signed, by the head of the department from which it came.

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The above organization is suggested as being sufficient for all present requirements. There will of course hereafter be other developments the necessity for which will make itself felt. They should be provided for when they arise. I feel some hesitation even in recommending an organization as apparently complicated as the foregoing; and yet, if analyzed, it will be seen that of the five proposed departments, no less than three, viz:-- Law, Engineering and Superintendence already, as matters of necessity, exist in a more or less crude and undeveloped form. Two new departments only, viz: Claims, and Forestry, are suggested; while the authority and duties of the members of the Board and of its Landscape Architect are defined. The proposed organization is, therefore, in point of fact merely the present organization reduced to a system, and with its recognized deficiencies supplied.

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C. M.F.R. 1 The Landscape Architects submitted a communication, dated November 9th, reporting upon several questions concerning the Middlesex Fells Reservation which was specially assigned to the next meeting of the Board.

Communication from Landscape Architects. 2 C. S.B.R. The Landscape Architects also submitted another communication, dated November 9th, relating to certain questions concerning the Stony Brook Reservation which was assigned to the meeting of this Board to be held November 22nd.

Adjourned at 4.45 P.M.

A. S. Cassuth Secretary.

67th Nov. 16 1894. Report of the sixty-seventh (67th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Friday, November 16th, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase and Casas, Messrs Richards and G. L. Chase coming in late.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

1 The Secretary reported the number of men employed as follows:--

Beaver Brook Reservation.
Superintendent, 6 Laborers.

Blue Hills Reservation.
4 Foremen, 79 Laborers

Boulevard Department,
1 Foreman, 18 Laborers.

Middlesex Fells Reservation
3 Foremen, 30 Laborers.

Boulevard Department,
1 Foreman, 25 Laborers.

Stony Brook Reservation
2 Foremen, 23 Laborers

C. Quincy 3 The Secretary submitted a report on the decision

by the Court in the Quincy Quarry Company's suit against the Commonwealth for lands taken by this Commission. The report was accepted and ordered placed on file.

Secretary submitted report on votes passed since May 1st relating to making of plans for boulevards.

The Secretary also submitted a report on the
1 various votes which had been passed since the 1st
C. Parkways — of May relating to the making of plans for various boulevards and, on motion of Mr. Curtis, the report was accepted and ordered to be printed, a copy sent to each member and assigned to the next meeting of the Board.

... of Chandler.

The Secretary submitted a report by the Law
2 Department on the matter of the claim of Chandler
C. Chandler — for damages on account of interruption of business by the taking of his premises in Stoneham. On motion of Mr. Curtis the report was accepted, ordered printed and a copy sent to each member.

The Secretary also submitted a draft of a contract between Messrs French and Bryant and Gordon
3 H. Taylor of Brookline and this Commission for
C. Surveys B.H.R. / C. " M.F.R. — the topographical survey of the Blue Hills and Middlesex Fells Reservations, which was approved and the Secretary was instructed to submit the same to the engineers above named, and if the same met with their approval to award to them the contract and to submit the finished draft of the contract at the next meeting of the Board for its action.

Secretary submitted rules for governing skating on ponds in various reservations.

The Secretary also submitted the following
4 rules for the governing of the skating on the ponds
C. Rules — in the various reservations under the control of this Board.

1. No skating is allowed within the boundaries of the reservations after 10 o'clock P.M.

2. All persons using the ponds for the purpose of skating must keep within the

been designated for such use.

Acts of 1893, Chapter 407, Section 4.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Chase the rules as proposed by the Secretary were adopted.

The Secretary also submitted a preliminary
1 report from Messrs. Whidden & Company, Builders, upon the value of the farm buildings of Mr. Chandler in Stoneham and the factory building of Mr. Weeks, known as the Fox Mill, site in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. The report was accepted and ordered placed on file.

The Secretary submitted a letter from Mr. F.
2 E. Manchester, dated November 9th 1894, which was ordered placed on file.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land.

3 William Ash, Jr., 8100 square feet of land and buildings thereon, on Washington Street, West Roxbury, in the Stony Brook Reservation, for the sum of $2600 and the right to occupy said premises until May 1st, 1895, free of rent. On motion of Mr. Lowe the matter was referred to Mr. W. L. Chase with full powers.

4 George E. Black, for the settlement of his claim for land in the West Roxbury Parkway, 11000 feet at 35¢ a foot, the balance at 15¢ a foot, small stable $200. and barn $500. On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase the offer was declined.

5 J. A. Lamood, 14 acres of land in Medford in the Middlesex Fells for $200. per acre. On motion of Mr. Lowe the offer was accepted.

6 Mr. Scrannage, 17,240 feet of land with four houses and one barn, at 8¢ a foot, on Washington Street, in Melrose in the

Middlesex Fells. Mrs. Esther Holcomb, the adjoining property, 15,660. feet, with house thereon, at 18¢ a foot. On motion of Mr. Casas the offers were declined.

1 C. Forrest — Mrs. Mary A. Forrest, 11 acres in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for $225. per acre. Levi

C. Green — Green, 10 acres in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, for $225. per acre. On motion of Mr. Casas the offer of Mrs. Forrest was accepted, the offer of Mr. Green was declined and the Secretary was authorized to accept an offer of $200. per acre for his land.

2 C. Jennings — C. H. Jennings, 15,242. square feet of land in Winchester for the sum of $800. On motion of Mr. Casas the offer was accepted.

3 C. Bacon — Mrs. Sarah A. Bacon, 11.39 acres of land in Winchester for $3000. On motion of Mr. Casas the offer was declined.

4 C. Reed — E. W. Reed, area unknown, in the Blue Hills Reservation, at $40. per acre.

5 C. Wadsworth — E. D. Wadsworth, 3/4 of an acre in the Blue Hills Reservation for $30.

6 C. Wales — Charles A. Wales, 28½ acres in the Blue Hills Reservation at $50. On motion of the Chair the last three settlements in the Blue Hills were approved.

The Secretary submitted a report on the land

7 C. Smith — owned by Mr. John W. Smith of Hyde Park. The report was accepted and ordered placed on file.

The Secretary was instructed to obtain from the landscape architects an opinion as to how

8 C. Quincy Quarry Co. — far the request of the Quincy Quarry Company can be complied with by this Commission without detriment to the Reservation.

The Secretary was also instructed to submit an opinion from the Law Department

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The Secretary was also instructed to submit

1 the necessary papers for the conveyance of the West Roxbury Parkway to the City of Boston.

2 On motion of Mr. Casas it was

Ordered:— That when the Board adjourn it be to meet on Tuesday next at 12 o'clock to consider the question of the new organization of the executive management of the Board and that the Secretary notify the Board

3 of Park Commissioners of Winchester that this Board will on Tuesday next, at 2 P.M. take up the subject of the Winchester Parkway and that their presence is requested.

Adjourned at 4.20 P.M.

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Report of the sixty-eighth (68th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers [illegible], [illegible] & 113 Ames Building, Boston, Tuesday, November 20th, at 12 M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase, Casas and Richards, Mr. G. L. Chase coming in late.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

The Secretary submitted the following draft

4 of the contract with Messrs French, Bryant & Taylor, civil engineers & surveyors, for the topographical survey of the Blue Hills and Middlesex Fells Reservations, which on motion of Mr. P. A. Chase was accepted as submitted by the Secretary.

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[illegible] contract [illegible]

This indenture made this fifteenth day of November, A.D. 1894, by and between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, through its Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners of the first part, and Alexis H. French, Henry F. Bryant, copartners as French and Bryant, and Gordon H. Taylor, civil engineers and surveyors, of the second part.

Witnesseth, —

1st. That said parties of the second part having submitted to said Park Commission, proposal for the Topographical surveys and maps of the Blue Hills, and Middlesex Fells Reservations now taken and created, or as hereafter enlarged (if at all) by said Commonwealth, through said Park Commission, during the term of the contract hereinafter expressed, are hereby awarded the contract for said work and said maps upon the terms and specifications hereinafter expressed.

2nd. The work which is to be done, and the maps which are to be furnished, are explicitly [illegible] and made clear in the memorandum which accompanied the proposal issued by said Park Commission, a copy of said memorandum being annexed to this contract and made a part of the same, for all purposes whenever material; said memorandum being identified as follows: "Specifications for Topographical Surveys and Maps of the Metropolitan Reservations."

3rd. The work and the maps called for by said memorandum are respectively to be done, finished and furnished in strict accordance with said specifications, within fifteen months from the date first hereinabove named, and all the requirements and conditions contained in said specifications are to be carefully complied with

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and adhered to.

4th. The compensation of said parties of the second part for work and maps as called for, done and furnished, shall be calculated and paid upon the following named basis: that is to say, Two dollars and eighty-five cents for each and every acre within the Blue Hills Reservation, so called, comprising lands taken, or to be taken, within the said fifteen months, in the towns of Canton, Milton and Quincy, and at the same rate for fractions of an acre: Two dollars and sixty cents per acre for lands within the Middlesex Fells Reservation, so called, comprising lands taken, or to be taken, within said fifteen months in the cities and towns of Malden, Medford, Melrose, Stoneham and Winchester, and at the same rate for fractions of an acre.

5th. Whenever, and as often, as all the work relating to anyone of the sections designated in the specifications above referred to, and the appropriate maps showing the results of the same, have been done, finished and approved by the Landscape Architect, or other designated agent of said Park Commission, shall be made to the parties of the second part upon their joint voucher and receipt, not exceeding eighty per cent. (80%) of the compensation coming to them under the terms of this contract, for the work and maps relating to such section, and the remainder of the compensation relating to such work and maps for each section shall be paid upon the completion of all the terms and requirements of this contract.

6th. Said parties of the second part by the execution of these Presents, undertake to perform said work and finish and furnish said maps, all in strict accordance with said specifications, and within the time herein limited, and for the compensation herein prescribed, and agree that neither the said Park Commissioners nor any one or more of them, incur any personal responsibility whatsoever by reason

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of the execution of the Presents.

7th. Said parties of the second part are to make, execute and deliver to the said Commission before beginning any of the said work, their joint and several bond to the Treasurer of said Commonwealth and his successors in office, in the sum of Five thousand Dollars conditioned for the faithful performance of the foregoing contract in each and every of its particulars and details according to their true intent and meaning. Said bond to have two individual sureties, or else as surety some Guarantee Company, and in either event said bond must be satisfactory to and approved by said Commission.

8th. Said Park Commission has the absolute right, at its discretion, if in its opinion the interests of the Commonwealth require such action, to terminate and rescind this contract at any time, upon giving ten days notice in writing of intention so to do to the parties of the second part.

In witness whereof, the said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners has by its vote caused these Presents to be executed in its behalf by Charles Francis Adams, its Chairman, with his seal, and said parties of the second part have hereunto set their hands and seals, in duplicate, this fifteenth day of November, A. D. 1894.

On motion of Mr. Curtis it was

Voted:- to enter into a contract with Alexis H. French, Henry F. Bryant, and Gordon H. Taylor, for Topographical Surveys and certain Maps or Plans relating to the Blue Hills and Middlesex Fells Reservations, according to the draft which has just been read; and Charles Francis Adams, the Chairman of the Board,

is hereby authorized to sign, seal and deliver the same in behalf of this Board.

[illegible] contract as [illegible] read [illegible] entered upon the records of this Board.

1. Mr. Chase made a preliminary report upon certain matters connected with the Weeks properties in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, which was accepted and referred back to a committee consisting of Messrs. [illegible] H. L. Chase and the Secretary.

2. Mr. H. L. Chase reported that he had visited the property of Mr. William Ash, Jr. in the Stony Brook Reservation, reported on by the Secretary at the last meeting, and considered the same an advantageous settlement and had instructed the Secretary to proceed to carry out the provisions of the [illegible].

Claim of Mrs. Fanny Tucker.

The Chair reported that he had instructed the
3. Secretary, in conformity with the powers granted him by a previous vote of the Board, to settle the claim of Mrs. Fanny Tucker for estate on Randolph Avenue for the sum of $900.

Chair reported on letter of Thomas O'Brien & Sons.

The Chair also reported upon the letter of
4. Thomas O'Brien and Sons, dated November 12, and referred to him at the last meeting, as follows:-

The petitioner upon the within had, I find, no lease or other written agreement in relation to giving him the right to take the sand in question. The only permit he ever received was from a somewhat irregular agent of the Adams Real Estate Trust, and was merely an informal memorandum written on the back of a voucher made by the agent in question on receiving money for the sand which had been taken.

The sand appears to have been taken [illegible] and [illegible] of money were from time to time paid for it to the gentleman in question.

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When the land was taken by the Park Commission the Petitioner came to the office of Mr. Adams and asked if they could not aid him in protecting what he considered his rights. He was then informed that, so far as was known to the office, he had no rights.

(signed) C. F. Adams.

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1 The Secretary submitted the settlement of about 16 acres of land in the Middlesex Fells Reservation belonging to Mr. David N. Skillings for the sum of $626.80. On motion of Mr. Casas the settlement of the Secretary was approved and he was instructed to convey to Mr. Skillings the thanks of the Commission for his generosity as manifested in the extremely low price at which he had tendered the land owned by him.

C. Skillings

C. Hastings 2 At 12.30 the Board, on motion of Mr. Casas, went into executive session.

At 2.15 the Board reassembled and was called to order by the Chair.

Conference with Winchester Park Board

3 A conference was had with the Winchester Park Board relating to the Mystic Valley and Winchester Parkway from West Medford to Winchester. After a general discussion participated in by the members of both Boards, it was decided that after a conference by the Secretary with the Mayor of Boston and the Boston Water Board, to again call in the Winchester Park Board for a definite discussion of the matter.

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Adjourned at 3.30 P.M.

W. S. Eliot [illegible], Secretary.

Report of Executive Session

C. Hastings 4 At an executive session of the Metropolitan Park Commission held November 20th, 1894,

68 — Mr. W. B. de las Casas was elected Secretary pro tem.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

1. Law Dept. — Ordered: That a department of law be created to which all cases involving law points be referred, to be known as the Counsel of the Commission.

2. On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase it was

Land Dept. — Ordered: That a department of lands be created upon which shall devolve the special work of negotiating for the acquisition of land and bargaining for the price.

3. On motion of Mr. Casas it was

Engineering Dept. — Ordered:— That a department of engineering be created.

4. On motion of Mr. H. L. Chase it was

Superintendence Dept. — Ordered:— That a department of superintendence be created.

5. On motion of the Chairman it was

Department of Forestry to be created. Forestry Dept. — Ordered:— That a department of forestry be created.

6. Committees on organization. — The following committees were appointed by the Chair on the organization of the various departments:

1. Organization 2. Committees.

Counsel, Messrs P. A. Chase and Richards.
Land Department, Messrs Casas and Adams.
Engineering, Messrs H. L. Chase and Casas.
Superintendence, Messrs Richards and P. A. Chase.
Forestry, Mr. Adams.

At 4.50 the Board took a recess until called to order by the Chair.

W. B. de las Casas
Secretary pro tem

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Record of the sixty ninth (69th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the office of the Commission numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building Boston, Tuesday November 22nd, 1894, at 2.30 P.M.

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Present, The Chair, Messrs P. A. Chase, [illegible] and Richards. H. L. Chase coming in late.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Number of men employed

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed as follows:—

Beaver Brook Reservation

1 Superintendent, 6 Laborers.

Blue Hills Reservation

4 Foremen, 93 Laborers

Boulevard Department

1 Foreman, 22 Laborers,

Middlesex Fells Reservation

3 Foremen, 37 Laborers

Boulevard Department

1 Foreman, 24 Laborers.

Stony Brook Reservation

2 Foremen, 25 Laborers.

Secretary submitted opinion of experts on value of buildings of Chandler and Starks

1 The Secretary submitted the opinion of S. H. Whidden and Ira G. Hersey, experts, on the value of the farm buildings of Mr. Frank Chandler and the old mill buildings on the Starks property in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. The report was accepted and ordered placed on file.

C. Chandler
C. Starks

Secretary submitted opinion of Law Department on power of this Board to purchase land, etc.

2 The Secretary submitted the opinion of the Law Department on the question of the power of this Board to purchase land, retaining a portion and disposing of the rest. The report was accepted and ordered placed on file.

C. Purchase of Land

Secretary submitted report on land values in vicinity of Echo Bridge

3 The Secretary submitted a report upon the values of land in the vicinity of Echo Bridge in the city of Newton and towns of Needham and Wellesley. The report was accepted and referred back to the Secretary to obtain options on the [illegible].

C. Ch. R.
C. Claims Ch. R. Options

C. Day

4 The Secretary submitted a proposition from

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[illegible] to settle [illegible] acres on the Middlesex Fells Reservation with the privilege of taking five additional acres at the rate of [illegible] per acre. On motion of Mr. [illegible] these the offer was accepted.

Offer of Henry Lynde declined

C. Lynde

1 The Secretary submitted an offer from Henry Lynde of Melrose of two parcels of land in the Middlesex Fells Reservation near Washington Street, one containing 2.62 acres at $200. per acre and the other 4.78 acres for $300. per acre. The Secretary recommended the refusal of these propositions as being altogether too high in price and on motion of Mr. Evans the propositions were declined.

[illegible]

C. [illegible]

2 The Secretary was authorized to settle with Mr. Lyman Dyke for $[illegible] per acre.

[illegible]

C. Ward

3 Mr. Evans offered the following.

Ordered:— That the Secretary be authorized to settle with the Ward Heirs for land taken at Beaver Brook Reservation for $[illegible] per acre with the right to use the boundary road along said Reservation in connection with their [illegible], subject always, to the general rules and regulations of the Board as applicable to all abutters on said road. The order was rejected.

[illegible]

C. Chelsea, Dist. [illegible]

4 The Secretary submitted a communication from the Mayor of Chelsea, dated November [illegible], which was read and ordered placed on file and the Secretary was instructed to acknowledge its receipt and to explain to His Honor the Mayor of Chelsea the situation as regards public open spaces in that vicinity.

[illegible] votes of the Board [illegible]

Parkway

5 Under the head of special assignments referred from previous meetings, the report of the Secretary upon the votes of the Board from May [illegible] to November 17th relating to plans for boulevards, was read and placed on file.

[illegible]

6 The same action was taken in relation to

the report of the Law Department on the claim of Frank Chandler for damage on account of the interruption of business by the taking of his farm in Stoneham in the Middlesex Fells Reservation.

The same action was taken, also, with the
1 communication of the Landscape Architects, dated November 9th, relating to the question of the abandonment of lands in the Stony Brook Reservation and the construction of an entrance from West Street to the Stony Brook Reservation.

Communication Landscape Architects

Of a communication of the Landscape Architects, dated November 9th, that portion
2 which related to the acquisition of land in Medford north of the Legislative line, was referred to Mr. Casas as chairman of the sub-committee on that Reservation. The third clause, relating

Third clause referred to Mr. Casas

3 to the abandonment of lands taken from the Greeley estate in Winchester, was also referred to Mr. Casas. The fourth clause, being the propositions

Fourth clause referred to Messrs. P. A. Chase and Casas.

4 to release the house sites of Messrs. Dutton and Bacon in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, were referred to Messrs. P. A. Chase and Casas, the existing committee upon the question of the abandonment of these
5 lands. The sixth clause, being in relation to the abandonment of lands near the Stoneham and Melrose township lines, was referred to the Secretary with instructions to prepare a plan showing the lines of abandonment according to the old line which was first suggested by the Landscape Architects, and submit the same to the Board. The Board then ordered the whole communication above referred to placed on file.

Sixth clause referred to Secretary

6 On motion of Mr. Casas it was

Landscape Architects to complete plans of Parkways —

Ordered: -- That the Landscape Architects be directed to complete plans of the Parkways from Stony Brook to Blue Hills Reservation

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lines, from the Lynn Shore and Nahant Beach to the Middlesex Fells Reservation and from the Mystic River to Revere Beach so far as may be necessary to determine the feasibility of these ways and then to report to this Board.

Hearing given Messrs. Brooks of Medford

A hearing was given to the Messrs. Brooks of Medford relating to their proposed gift of land for the Winchester and West Medford Parkway.

Report of Secretary on question of awards in Blue Hills Res.

The Secretary made a verbal report upon the question of awards to those persons owning property in the Blue Hills Reservation still remaining unsettled, and, on motion of Mr. [illegible] Chase, it was

Secretary to notify owners of awards

Ordered:-- That the Secretary be instructed to notify the parties in question that there would be an award made on the 10th day of December unless they should previously appear and settle privately therefor.

The Secretary was further directed to cause a notice to be sent by mail to those whose address could be ascertained and in cases where the address of the party could not be ascertained to advertise the notice in local papers.

Adjourned at 4.30 P.M.

[illegible signature] Secretary

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Report of the seventieth (70th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Friday, November 30th 1894.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs. P. A. Chase and Richards, Messrs. [illegible] and [illegible] Chase coming in late.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed as follows:

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Beaver Brook Reservation

1 Superintendent - 6 Laborers.

Blue Hills Reservation

4 Foremen, 94 Laborers

Boulevard Department,

1 Foreman, 21 Laborers

Middlesex Fells Reservation,

3 Foremen 43 Laborers

Boulevard Department

1 Foreman 26 Laborers,

Stony Brook Reservation,

2 Foremen, 25 Laborers.

[illegible]

c. Weeks.

c. Johnson

Messrs Casas and H. L. Chase, being a committee which was appointed to act upon the proposition of Mr. Theodore C. Weeks in regard to the Johnson property in the Middlesex Fells Reservation submitted the following report, which was accepted and ordered placed on file.

Boston, Nov. 30, 1894.

The Metropolitan Park Commission.

The Committee appointed to act upon the proposition of Mr. Theodore C. Weeks in regard to the George Johnson property on Pond Street, Stoneham, report

That being full powers to act they have authorized the secretary to purchase the same upon the terms offered by Mr. Weeks, namely, $1500. for the house and land north of the driveway or road along its easterly boundary, this being a purchase of property originally bargained for at $1800. less one-half acre supposed to belong to a Mr. Albertson.

The assessed value of the land upon which the house stands, one and one half acres, including this half acre being $350.

(signed) W. B. de las Casas
H. L. Chase

Messrs. [illegible] and [illegible], the committee on the organization of the Engineering Department, submitted the following report, which was accepted and the recommendations adopted, and the same was ordered placed on file.

Boston, Nov. 30, 1894.

The Metropolitan Park Commission;

The Committee appointed to make arrangements for the appointment of an engineer and the organization of an engineering department of this Board beg leave to report.

They recommend the appointment of William [illegible] Pierce at a salary at the rate of $2500. per annum; the purchase from him of such office equipments and instruments as seem advisable to the secretary and consulting architects of this Board at such prices as may be agreed upon between them and Mr. Pierce; and the securing of a suitable office by this Commission and its equipments with suitable additional furniture and instruments as may be from time to time found necessary.

They recommend that the engineer be authorized to employ such assistance as may be from time to time found necessary for the work assigned to his department that he may be authorized, where the work can be done to better advantage, to let the same to other surveyors or engineers, provided, however, that in all such cases all the field notes, tracings and plans shall become the property of the Commission and be returned with the finished work to the office of the engineer.

Also that he be authorized at once to enter into consultation with those surveyors or engineers who have from time to time in the past been employed by this Commission with a view to securing from them

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copies or originals of their field notes, drawings, etc. which are not already in the possession of this Board and report in regard to the same to this Board as soon as may be.

And this Committee recommends that it shall always be understood that the engineer shall at all times act under the direction and accept the orders of this Commission and especially of its consulting architects and engineers, Messrs. Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot —

(Signed) W. L. Chase.
" W. B. de las Casas.

Revision committee, proposition from Henry D. Pope —

C. Pope
C. Rice-Kendall Co.

1 The Secretary submitted, as a partial report on the proposed Hemlock Gorge Reservation, the proposition from Henry D. Pope and the Rice-Kendall Company, to convey the Hickey property, so-called, for $11,000., being $550. less than the assessed valuation. The report was accepted.

Report of committee on settlement of balance of Weeks property

C. Weeks.

2 A report was made by Mr. Casas, as the sub-committee on the Middlesex Fells Reservation in relation to the settlement of the balance of the Weeks property, which was accepted and ordered placed on file.

C. Takings
W.P.P.
Taking No. 16.

Part of vote passed Oct. 18 stricken out & rescinded — (19)

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3 On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase the following vote was passed.

Ordered:- That so much of the vote, passed by this Board on the 18th, day of October, 1894, taking lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying in the City of Boston, shown on plan of this Commission number 16, as relates to chapter 288 of the Acts of the year 1894, to wit, the words "and by chapter 288 of the Acts of the year 1894, entitled 'An Act to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to construct roadways and boulevards'"

be stricken out and rescinded.

Further Ordered:- That the taking so amended be hereby made confirmed, and printed for signature.

On motion of Mr. [illegible] the following vote was passed:-

Ordered:- That so much of the vote passed by this Board on the 18th day of October, 189[illegible], taking lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying in the City of Boston, shown on plan of this Commission number 13, as relates to chapter 288 of the Acts of the year 1894, to wit, the words "and by Chapter 288 of the Acts of the year 1894, entitled 'An Act to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to construct roadways and boulevards,'" be stricken out and rescinded.

Further Ordered:- That the taking so amended be hereby made confirmed, and printed for signature.

c. Abr. Sec. 2

c. Morse,

The Secretary submitted a draft of the release by this Commission to G. H. Morse of certain lands in the Stony Brook Reservation which it is proposed to abandon to said Morse. After the reading of the release it was referred back to the Secretary for a new draft.

Abandonment No. 10 [illegible]

Abandonment lands in Stony Brook.

On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase the following abandonment of certain lands in the Stony Brook Reservation was passed:-

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission."

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being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient that certain lands and rights in land hereto-fore taken by said Commission for and in behalf of the Commonwealth, under said Act, should be abandoned and the title thereto released by the Commonwealth, so soon as it can ~~be~~ lawfully be done, and restored to the person from whom the same was taken, namely, George H. Morse of Newton in the county of Middlesex

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of any and every power or authority us hereto in any wise enabling, in consideration of the premises and of One dollar, and the execution and delivery of an instrument of even date by said Morse, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the inhabitants thereof, and for ourselves abandon, remise, release and quitclaim unto said George H. Morse, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging — and not hereinafter specifically excepted — lying in Hyde Park, in the county of Norfolk, in said Commonwealth shown upon plans of said Metropolitan Park Commission numbered respectively 10 and 14 both duly recorded with Norfolk Deeds, bounded and described as follows, viz:— beginning at a point in the Northwesterly side line of Dedham Street, so called, distant Two hundred eighteen feet Southwesterly from the Southwest corner of said Dedham Street and Glenwood Avenue and in the Southwesterly boundary line of land of one McDermott; thence running Northwesterly along said land of McDermott, One hundred feet; this line being substantially

at right angles to said Dedham Street; thence turning and running Southeasterly along said land of one McDermott Fifty feet; thence turning again Northwesterly and running along land in part of Shaw and in part of owners unknown One hundred feet to a stake which is distant One hundred feet from the Southwesterly side line of said Glenwood Avenue, measuring along land of owners unknown, said stake being also in the Southeasterly side line of a proposed extension of Brainard Street in said Hyde Park, such extension being planned of the width of Forty feet; thence running Southwesterly by a straight line parallel with said side line of said Dedham Street and Two hundred feet distant Northwesterly therefrom, about Nine hundred and fourteen feet to a stake at land of one Rooney; thence turning and running Southeasterly by line substantially at right angles with said Dedham Street along lands in part of Rooney and in part of Poland Two hundred feet to said side line of Dedham Street; thence turning and running Northeasterly, bounded Southeasterly by said Dedham Street about Eight hundred and fifty-seven feet to the point of beginning, containing by estimation 177,016 square feet, be said measurements or said contents more or less. Also the fee of so much of said proposed extension of Brainard Street as lies adjacent to the described parcel, and between it and the middle line of said proposed extension. And said Commission doth hereby agree to lay out, construct and open for travel said proposed extension of Brainard Street upon suitable grades the said extension to be of the same character as the portion of said Brainard Street now existing on or before June 1, 1895, upon the understanding

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that said Morse will contribute and pay towards the cost thereof a sum not exceeding Five hundred Dollars being one-half the cost (as estimated) of said laying out, grading and construction.

And said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners doth hereby further agree that if the title to said abandoned land above described be not on or before May 1, 1895, restored and reconveyed to said Morse or his legal representatives in pursuance of Legislative authority or otherwise so as to leave him or them in as good case as before said Takings respectively, then and in that case said Morse or his representatives shall forthwith convey the same to the Commonwealth, and release the Commonwealth and said Commission from any and every possible claim for damages, costs and expenses by reason of the original taking thereof by said Commission, or any act or thing arising out of or connected with said Taking; and for such conveyance and release said Morse or his representatives shall receive from the Commonwealth a sum to be hereafter agreed upon, and in default of agreement to be ~~hereafter~~ fixed in accordance with the provisions of said Chapter 407.

To have and to hold to the said Morse, his heirs and assigns to their use and behoof forever.

It is expressly understood and agreed that we incur no personal liability whatever by reason of the execution of these Presents.

In witness whereof, we, the said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, hereunto set our hands and seals, this thirtieth day of November, A. D. 1894.

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Bond of [illegible] Margaret Taylor

The Secretary presented a draft of the bond of Susan Lunt, Margaret and Taylor which was accepted subject to the report by the Secretary on the responsibility of the City Trust Safe Deposit and Surety Company of Philadelphia.

Taking of Margaret [illegible]

On motion of Mr. [illegible] the following order of taking was passed.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners.

November 30, 1894.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described, in the manner and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying in the city of Malden in the county of Middlesex, and shown on a plan marked "Plan of Land in Malden, belonging to Margaret Maynard, A. F. Sargent, Surveyor, Nov., 1894, Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot

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Landscape Architects," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 18, the original of which is to be recorded herewith, and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows (the description here given including all the land, rights in land, easements, privileges and appurtenances which are described in the Taking made by said Metropolitan Park Commission, dated February 2, 1894, and recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, Book 2257, page 1, accompanied by plan of said Commission No. 7, whatsoever was therein included being herein again referred to only for purposes of identification and greater certainty), a parcel upon the westerly side of Summer Street, so called, beginning at a stone bound in the westerly side line of said [illegible] Street, at land of heirs of R. P. F[illegible]ke, thence north 73° 58' west sixty-seven and fifty-three hundredths (67.53) feet to an iron bolt; thence north 74° 28' west one hundred seventy-eight and twenty-two hundredths (178.22) feet to a stake in the line of land of Stephen McMaher; thence north 68° 9' west five and nine-tenths (5.9) feet to a point formed by the intersection of the centre lines of two stone walls substantially at right angles with each other, bounding land of B. F. Dutton; thence north 17° east, in part through the centre of said stone wall and in part by the line of a fence, by three measurements, eighty-four and four-tenths (84.4); fifty-one and seventy-nine hundredths (51.79) and twenty and thirty-one hundredths (20.31) feet to a stake, at a corner of land hereby taken and two parcels of land owned by said B. F. Dutton; thence south 72° 2' east two hundred seventy and ninety-two hundredths (270.92) feet, to a stake in said westerly side line of said Summer Street; thence south-westerly along said line,

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curving to the right, on a radius of three hundred and fifty-six feet, twenty-nine and ninety-two hundredths (29.92) feet to a stake; thence south-westerly and southerly, curving to the left, on a radius of ninety-three and two-tenths feet, sixty-one and fifty-six hundredths (61.56) feet; thence continuing in part by the same curve and in part by a straight line running south 3°26' west, fifty-four and fifty-three hundredths (54.53) feet; and thence continuing south 3°26' west eleven and eighty-seven hundredths (11.87) feet to stone bound first mentioned.

The portions of the above-described premises not heretofore taken (two in number) comprise respectively, 13,583 square feet and 12,030 square feet. Together with the fee or soil of so much of the westerly half of said Summer Street as lies contiguous to the described parcels and between the same and the centre line of said Summer Street; said parcels being taken from Margaret Magoun of said Malden; or however otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Witness our hands, this thirtieth day of November, A.D. 1894.

Metropolitan Park Commission

Report of committee on Mid. Fells referred to Committee on Law Department. [illegible]

The following report was made by Mr. Clarke which was accepted and the recommendations adopted and ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Law Department.

S. [illegible]

[illegible]

Boston, Nov 30, 1894

The Metropolitan Park Commission.

The Sub-committee on the Middlesex Fells begs leave to report

That in order to satisfactorily acquire the desired southerly boundary line from Forest Street, Medford, to the Winchester line it will be best to

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some legislation amendatory of that provision in chapter 407 of the Public Statutes of 1893 creating this Board which limits the right to take land in that part of Medford southerly of a line drawn from the southerly base of Pine Hill north-westerly through the southern end of the dam of the South Reservoir of the Town of Winchester and extending to the western boundary of the Fells, so called, and to this end and because of the prospective arising of other questions before the Legislature your Committee recommend the appointment by the Chairman of a Committee on Legislation to whom this matter and other matters be referred.

(signed) W. B. de las Casas.

Land settlements submitted by the Secretary 1

The Secretary submitted the following land settlements made by him in the Blue Hills Reservation.

c. Baker E. J. Baker estate, about 20 acres, $60. an acre.

c. Crossman Alfred Crossman, 6.8 acres, $100. an acre,

and on motion of Mr. Adams the settlements were approved and ordered paid.

Proposition from Isaac Watts declined 2

c. Watts The Secretary submitted the following proposition from Isaac Watts for an acre of land in the Middlesex Fells Reservation at 3 1/2 cents a foot. On motion of Mr. Casas the offer was declined.

Communication from Mr. F. C. Manchester 3

c. Manchester A communication was received from Mr. F. C. Manchester which was ordered placed on file.

4 On motion of Mr. Rickards it was

Secretary to employ [illegible] estimates of lands [illegible]

Ordered:-- That the Secretary employ at most three real estate men to obtain estimates of the value of the lands proposed to be taken on the Charles River. Passed.

c. C.R.R.
c. Takings C.R.R.
c. Claims, C.R.R.

Secretary brought up question of boundary roads

The Secretary brought up the question of the boundary roads especially in relation to those in the Stony Brook and portions of the Blue Hills

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c. " S.B.R.

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boundary it seeming to be a desirable time to have them opened out, the line cut, shrubs cut away and the large stones removed, preliminary to their future construction.

The Secretary requested that the Landscape Architects should furnish plans showing the exact lines upon which these boundary roads should be cut. This, however, Mr. Eliot expressed his desire not to do and the matter was left, at the suggestion of the Chairman, to the General Superintendent to be carried out under the verbal instructions of the Landscape Architects.

[illegible]

C. W. S.

Mr. Curtis submitted a petition to this Commission from the citizens of Malden, Wakefield and Stoneham asking that a boulevard be laid out from the Middlesex Fells Reservation to the city of Boston by the way of Malden, Medford and Somerville, crossing the Mystic River at or near the Middlesex Bridge; also a vote in the town meeting of the town of Melrose, held November 15th, 1894, also favoring the construction of a boulevard on the route above mentioned. Ordered placed on file.

[illegible]

The Secretary was instructed to submit at the next meeting estimates of the final cost of the Reservations taken.

Adjourned at 3.45

H. S. Carruth Secretary

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Dec. 7 1894.

Report of the seventy-first (71st) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the office of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Friday, December 7th, 1894.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

The Secretary submitted the number of men

employed as follows:--

Beaver Brook Reservation,
1 Superintendent, 6 Laborers.

Blue Hills Reservation,
5 Foremen, 98 Laborers,

Middlesex Fells Reservation,
3 Foremen, 44 Laborers,

Boulevard Department,
1 Foreman 25 Laborers,

Stony Brook Reservation
not reported.

[illegible] The Secretary submitted the following report on the probable cost of the various reservations,

c. Acquirement — which was accepted and ordered placed on file.

c. Claims B.H.R. ✓
" " B.B.R. ✓
" " M.F.R. ✓
" " S.B.R. ✓
" " W.R.P. ✓

December, 7th, 1894.

Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir:--

In conformity to a vote passed at the last meeting of this Board, requesting an estimate of the cost of the various reservations now taken, I beg leave to report as follows:--

Blue Hills Reservation

Amount paid for land,	158246.	
Amount already settled for but not yet paid,	72633.	
Amount unsettled,	35257.	
Total,		266,136.

Beaver Brook Reservation

Amount paid for land,	11000.	
Amount unsettled,	30450	
	41450	
Less gift,	12250	
Total		29,200.

Middlesex Fells Reservation

Amount paid for land,	70,350.
Amount already settled for but not yet paid,	50,426.
Amount unsettled,	326,118.
Total,	446,894

This does not include the lands which it is the intention of the Board to abandon between Mountain Avenue and Emerson Street, and also omits the claims of Mr. Bacon in Winchester and Mr. Dutton in Malden and Melrose.

The Stony Brook Reservation has been so recently taken and settlements having hardly been begun it is very difficult to make any close approximation of cost. I think, however, that the sum of $200,000. may be safely counted as being required for the reservation and the West Roxbury Parkway, making a total of $934,241. I feel reasonably confident that careful and persistent effort in the direction of the settlement of outstanding claims can easily reduce this sum below the $900,000. which is specified by Chapter 407, Acts of 1893.

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) H. S. Carruth.
Secretary.

Abandonment to G. W. Morse referred back for another draft.

G. Morse — The Secretary presented to the Board a second draft of the abandonment of certain lands to George W. Morse, which was referred back for another draft.

Deed of W. C. Wright. — The Secretary submitted a deed of Walter C. Wright to certain lands in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for the consideration of one cent. The Chairman was requested by the Board to communicate with Mr. Wright expressing to him the appreciation by the Board of his generous gift.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements made by him for lands in the Blue Hills Reservation and on motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the settlements were approved and ordered paid.

c. James.

1 John Fallon, about 24 acres at $75. per acre.
2 G. H. Wales, 3 acres at $40. per acre.
3 William Vandewort, 5 acres at $40. per acre.
4 William S. Glover and others, 15 acres at $50. per acre.
5 Frank M. Field, 20 acres at $40. per acre.
6 Estate of Roswell Gleason, 50. acres, $2500.
7 Estate of Asaph Churchill, 10 acres, $1250.
8 William H. Corcoran, 3 acres at $40. per acre.
9 Roger Wolcott, 168½ acres, $32650.

Offer of Mr. Isaac Watts declined. c. Watts

10 An offer of settlement was received from Mr. Isaac Watts for his lot of land, containing about one acre, in the Middlesex Fells Reservation near the Summer Street entrance, for three cents per square foot. On motion of Mr. Casas the offer was declined.

c. Weeks

11 A proposition was received from Mr. T. C. Weeks for the settlement of his property as follows:-- The Factory property, Lot 3 and buildings, Holden Lot and Lot 4 for $31000. On motion of Mr. Casas the offer was declined.

c. Blaine

12 A communication was received from Mr. E. S. Blaine requesting a settlement of the property taken from Mr. J. C. Blaine in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. The Secretary was authorized to settle for a sum not exceeding $10000.

Communication from Hon. J. Q. A. Brackett. c. M.D.P.

13 A communication was received from Hon. J. Q. A. Brackett requesting a hearing by the Board in relation to the construction of the Boulevard through Arlington and on motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was instructed to make arrangements for such a hearing.

14 The Secretary submitted the revised bills of

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Col. Hopkins and Fitch & Andersen for [illegible] services, viz., Col. Hopkins, $2500, Fitch & Andersen, $1000, and on motion of Mr. J. C. Chase the Chairman was directed to approve the same [illegible].

1 A communication was received from Mr. William T. Pierce accepting the position of Engineer of this Board. Ordered placed on file.

2 A communication was received from the Engineer making certain recommendations as to the organization of said department. The communication was referred to the sub-committee on the engineering department.

3 A communication was received from the department of General Superintendence, dated December 4th, relating to the creation of safe guards against fire in the reservations. The recommendations were adopted and the Superintendent authorized to proceed with the work with the exception of that portion relating to the digging of wells and furnishing the same with pumps.

4 A communication was received from the General Superintendent recommending the appointment of Mr. Arthur Hughes of Medford as a special police officer for this Commission without pay. On motion of Mr. Casas said Arthur Hughes was appointed as said police officer without pay.

5 On motion of Mr. Casas the plan of the north boundary of the Middlesex Fells Reservation was referred to the Secretary with instructions to see what settlements could be made by purchase south of the Legislative Line and inside of the proposed alternative line.

6 Two petitions were received, addressed to the Commission favoring the construction of a boulevard from Boston to the Middlesex Fells Reservation, via Malden, Medford and Somerville and Wellington Bridge over the Mystic River. Laid

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on the table.

Adjourned at 3.45 P.M.

A. S. Cavanth[?] Secretary.

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Report, of the seventy-second (72nd) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the office of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Friday, December 14, 1894.

Present. All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary submitted number of men x

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows:

Beaver Brook Reservation

1 Superintendent, 4 Laborers.

Blue Hills Reservation

6 Foremen, 136 Laborers.

Middlesex Fells Reservation

3 Foremen, 49 Laborers.

Boulevard Department

1 Foreman, 26 Laborers.

Stony Brook Reservation

2 Foremen 24 Laborers.

Secretary submitted settlements land in Blue Hills Reservation

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land in the Blue Hills Reservation.

1 A. R. Gay, 12 acres, $42. per acre.

O. Names 2 Abijah W. Goddard, 32 acres, and a one-quarter interest in the two River Lots standing in the name of Thomas B. Hayward et al. already settled, $2,000.

3 H. A. Finch, area unknown, 4 Lots, $42.50 per acre.

4 George F. Price, 9 acres, $50. " "

5 Ida F. Shapleigh, 6 " , $100. " "

In the Middlesex Fells Reservation:

1 Elbridge Ward Gray 1.8 [illegible] acres, on Main St., Stoneham, $350.

On motion of Mr. F. A. Chase the above settlements were approved and ordered paid.

Thomas F. Burke and brothers submitted an
2 offer for the settlement of their claim for about thirty acres in the Blue Hills Reservation, at the rate of six hundred dollars ($600.) per acre for the six acres of quarry land and ninety dollars ($90) per acre for the balance. The matter was referred to the Secretary to secure lower prices.

Mrs. Catherine Butler submitted an offer
3 of $1,000. to settle her claim for 8,585 square feet of land on Ravine Road in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. On motion of Mr. Chase the offer was declined.

The Secretary submitted a proposition from
4 J. C. Braine to settle his claim for twenty nine and thirty-hundredths (29.30) acres, taken from him in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for the sum of twelve thousand dollars ($12,000.) net. On motion of Mr. Chase the offer was declined.

5 The Secretary submitted a proposition from William H. Weir and William Crowe to settle their claim for land taken in West Roxbury Parkway for the sum of twelve cents per square foot and on motion of Mr. A. F. Chase the offer was declined.

The Secretary reported that he had examined into the responsibility of the City Trust
6 Safe Deposit and Surety Company of Philadelphia; and recommended the acceptance of them as sureties upon the bond of Messrs. French, Bryant and Taylor, the successful bidders for the topographical survey of the Blue Hills and Middlesex Fells Reservations, and on motion of Mr. F. A. Chase, the

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Secretary was instructed to notify the said French, Bryant and Taylor of the acceptance by this Commission of the said Guaranty Company as a surety on their bond.

The Secretary submitted the following opinion from the law department in the matter of the taking of the Virginia Wood, so called, in the Middlesex Fells Reservation.

C. M. F. D.

c. P. Dinsmore M. F. D.

Boston, December 14, 1894.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

C. S. Carruth, Esq., Secretary,

Ames Bldg., Boston.

Dear Sir:-

In the matter of the Virginia Wood, so-called, in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, you have re-submitted to us verbally the question which you asked by letter last week.

We have again considered the matter very carefully and are still of the opinion that the Metropolitan Park Commission has not taken the Virginia Wood, because it had no power whatsoever enabling it to do so. Upon examining together the Act of the Legislature incorporating the Trustees of Public Reservations and the Act of 1893, establishing the Metropolitan Park Commission, we find that the purposes of the two bodies are not quite identical, although very nearly akin to each other. It is to be noticed that the Trustees of Public Reservations at the time of your Taking, held the Virginia Wood, in trust for the public, by virtue of the will of Mrs. Tudor, and this trust is governed by the rules relating to public charities in Massachusetts; therefore, we believe that the Wood, being held in trust for the public, by a corporation created by the Legislature, was

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not subject to be taken by the Commission created by a later Act of the Legislature without express authority therefor. See [illegible] v. [illegible], 1[illegible] Mass. 125.

We are of the opinion that you did not take it under the Instrument of Taking referred to, and that you cannot take it today without direct legislative authority.

Your second question was prompted by anticipating our answer to the first, and asks us to state in what manner we think the transfer of the [illegible] land from the present trustees to the Commonwealth can best be made. We think that an Act of the Legislature authorizing the Metropolitan Park Commission to take the land in accordance with the provisions of chapter 407 of Acts of 1893, for the fair market value, is the only proper method; the same being [illegible] the best in a [illegible] which are beyond question valid and proper; we hold that the Legislature could not authorize the Trustees of Public Reservations to transfer the custody and control to the Metropolitan Park Commission, nor to sell and convey the estate so as to accomplish the same purpose in another form. The only competent method is by authorizing the taking of the land upon paying proper damages, as provided under the original Act.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) [illegible] and [illegible].

[illegible]

Offices Exch. St.

The Secretary submitted and reported upon the lease of the rooms in the building 13 Exchange Street being Nos. 38 and 39 in that building, for a term of one year, for a rent not exceeding $450, recommending the acceptance to the Commission and on motion of Mr. [illegible] it was ordered that the Chairman of the Board be authorized to sign and

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execute a lease for the rooms numbered 38 & 39 in the building #13 Exchange Street, in the city of Boston, for the term of one year at a rental not exceeding $450., said rent to be payable in four quarterly payments. Passed.

The Secretary called the attention of the Commission to the two suits now pending in the Stony Brook Reservation; viz., the suits of Nawn and Brown, against the Commonwealth, recommending that the same be tried before a jury; and on motion of Mr. Curtis the Secretary was instructed to notify the law department to pursue whichever course in their judgment seemed best.

C. Nawn
C. Brown

The Secretary submitted a report relating to the necessity of additional clerical service in the office of the Commission, and on motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the question was referred to a committee of two to report at the next meeting. The Chair appointed Mr. Curtis and Mr. W. L. Chase as such committee.

2
C. Clerks

A hearing was given to Mr. Josiah Kendall in relation to the land that the Commission had taken from him in the Beaver Brook Reservation and after the hearing had closed, and on motion of Mr. Richards, it was

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C. Kendall

Ordered:-- That there be allowed and paid to Josiah Kendall the sum of $3000. as full compensation for all land and damages resulting from the taking from him in the Beaver Brook Reservation; the said Kendall to have the right to use the water of the spring upon the premises of the Commission for domestic purposes only, and further to have a right of way from present dwelling house through the existing gateway in the fence to the public highway. Passed.

1 The Secretary submitted the draft of an instrument transferring the West Roxbury Parkway, so-called, from the Metropolitan Park Commission to the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston, and the Secretary was instructed to have the instrument properly drawn and executed and to notify the Mayor of the City of Boston of the intention of this Commission to transfer the above property.

The Secretary also submitted a draft of a transfer of the Bear Hill Reservation in Stoneham from the
2 the Park Commissioners in Stoneham to the Metropolitan Park Commission, which was referred by the Board to Mr. Casas.

3 The Secretary submitted the following order, making awards for those lands which remain as yet unsettled for in the Blue Hills Reservation.

Ordered:-- That there be awarded to the individuals named below the amounts set against their respective names as compensation to them for the land taken by this Commission within the Blue Hills Reservation.

4	Mrs. Mary E. Lewin,	22 acres at $500. per acre,	$11,000.
	" " " "	House & Barn,	5,000.
5	Lewis D. Frothingham,	26½ acres, $100. " "	2,650.
6	J. H. Farrington,	¼ acre & Spring,	5,000.
7	Sumner Hoie,	7 acres at $30. " "	210.
8	Owner unknown,	1 acre,	50.
9	Estate J. Buck,	10 acres, $42. " "	420.
10	Mrs. C. C. Pope,	5⅔ "	215.
11	Ida F. Shapleigh,	6⅓ " $75. " "	475.
12	Lewis F. Price,	9 " 40. " "	360.
13	Edward P. Robinson,	15 " 40. " "	600.
14	George L. Binney and Joshua Spear,	23 " 40. " "	920.
15	Lucy F. J. Newton,	8 " 50. " "	400.
16	Peter McIntyre	2 "	100.

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No.	Name	Acres	Per acre	Amount
1	Mary F. Hall,	6 Acres,	$35. per acre	210.
2	W. O. Partridge	20 "	60. " "	1200.
3	Alva Snow	7 "	75. " "	525.
4	L. S. Conant	13 3/4 "	100. " "	1375.
5	Estate D. W. Tucker,	25 "	40. " "	1000.
6	Estate David Thayer,	3 "	30. " "	90.
7	Doctor Simons	5 "	35. " "	175.
8	Holbrook Heirs,	4 "	35. " "	140.
9	Paul Minchin,	1 "		30.
10	Thomas Q. Hollis et al,	3 "	40. " "	120.
11	Owner unknown (Spear lot)	3 "	40. " "	120.
12	A. D. S. Bell,	3 1/2 "	30. " "	105.
13	Heirs Solomon Nightingale,	7 "	35. " "	245.
14	T. H. and T. F. Burke,	31 3/4 "		3500.
15	John Brown,	4 "	40. " "	160.
16	Heirs Charles Spear,	3 1/2 "	35. " "	132.50
17	" Charles Buck,	4 "	30. " "	120.
18	Lewis Bass and Mrs. Jas. Edwards,	37 1/4 "	100. " "	3725.
	" "	22 "	35. " "	770.
19	Mrs. James Edwards.	12 "	40. " "	480.
20	Rufus Pierce.	1 1/2 "		300.
		Buildings.		1500.
21	Laura G. Pierce,	6 1/2 Acres	50. " "	325.
22	Heirs John Hayward,	9 "	40. " "	360.
23	Seth Dewing,	3 1/2 "	35. " "	125.

Hearing of Ex-Gov. B. + others -

C. W. P.

24 A hearing was given to Ex-Governor Brackett and other gentlemen representing the citizens of Arlington, in relation to the extension of the Winchester and West Medford Parkway. After a statement by Ex-Governor Brackett, the Chairman of the Board informed him that at the present time, the Board had taken no steps in relation to the matter, but before they did, they should be properly notified of the intention of the Board to consider the matter and given a hearing thereon.

Messrs. Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot, landscape architects, submitted a communication dated December 7, relating to certain objects already determined by the Commission and recommending the passage of the following orders.

1 Ordered: That as soon as may be after January 1st, 189-, the Engineer make and file in the office accurate maps of the boundaries of the reservations; that he indicate to the Superintendent the various points upon the boundary lines at which stone monuments shall be set, and that the cost of this work be charged to the Metropolitan Parks Loan.

Bounds.

2 Ordered:-- That as soon as the Engineer is prepared to indicate the correct position of stone monuments to mark the boundaries of the reservations, the Superintendent cause the monuments to be set in the ground firmly and in the positions indicated by the Engineer, the cost of the work to be charged to the Metropolitan Parks Loan.

Boundstones.

II. As to the removal from the reservations of dead wood and timber.

3 Ordered:-- That the Landscape Architects prepare maps indicating the main fire-guard lines from which dead wood is first to be removed; and report to this Board.

Fire Protection.

III As to the Roads on the boundary lines of the reservations.

4 Ordered:-- That the Engineer make surveys and the Landscape Architects make plans for the construction of a road adjacent to the land of R. L. Lyman on the boundary of Middlesex Fells Reservation; and that the Engineer stake out and the Superintendent construct these roads according to said plans as soon as may be, the cost of surveys, plans and construction to be charged to the Boulevard Loan, so called.

Roads and Streets

5 Ordered;-- That the Superintendent, under

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the general supervision of the Landscape Architects, plan and build cheap but usable roads twenty feet wide, upon or near the north boundary of the Blue Hills Reservation, and upon or near the south boundary of the Middlesex Fells Reservation between Summit Street, Malden, and Highland Avenue, Medford, the cost of supervision and construction to be charged to the Boulevard Loan, so called.

IV. As to roads and paths within the reservation.

Landscape Architects to furnish maps indicating roads & paths to be first opened.

C. Roads and Sts.

1 Ordered:—That the Landscape Architects furnish maps indicating in a general way the roads, bridle paths and foot paths to be first made usable and opened to the public.

V. As to reports from the Engineer and the Superintendent.

Engineer and Superintendent to make weekly reports.

C. Supt's Dept. Weekly Report

C. Eng. Dept. Weekly Report

Ordered:—That the Engineer and the
2 Superintendent make weekly report to the Secretary of the work done by their assistants and the laborers in their employ, specifying the the names of the foremen in command of gangs or parties, the number of men employed under each foreman, the nature, position and progress of the work done by each gang, and any other facts of interest to the Commission, and that copies of these weekly reports be sent by the Secretary as promptly as possible to each member of the Commission and to the Landscape Architects.

The above orders were severally passed.

Adjourned at 4.35 P.M.

[signature] Secretary.

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Report of the seventy-third (73rd) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the office of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames

[illegible] December 20, [illegible] — Building, Boston, Wednesday, December 20th, at 2.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs. [illegible], [illegible] and Casas.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

[illegible] — The Secretary reported the number of men employed as follows:—

Beaver Brook Reservation
Superintendent, — Laborers
Blue Hills Reservation,
6 Foremen, [illegible] Laborers.
Middlesex Fells Reservation
3 Foremen, [illegible] Laborers.
Stony Brook Reservation
[illegible] Foremen, 24 Laborers.
Boulevard Department
Middlesex Fells Reservation.
1 Foreman, 26 Laborers.

[illegible] — 1 The Secretary gave notice to the Board that agreeably to the vote passed at the meeting held December 7th, he had settled the claim of Joseph C. Blaine for 29.30 acres for the consideration of \$10,000. — [illegible] Blaine

Settlements of land made by the Secretary — The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land:—

2 Heirs of Charles Robinson 41/2 acres in Stoneham, in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, \$8500, net. On motion of Mr. Casas the settlement was approved and ordered paid. — [illegible] Robinson

3 David Taylor, 2 acres, more or less, in Stoneham, in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, at the rate of \$300. per acre and, on motion of Mr. Casas the settlement was approved and ordered paid. — [illegible] Taylor

4 Mr. Casas submitted the settlements made — Hutchings

in line with the John Hitchings estate in Malden in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, .98 of an acre for $400. with the right of frontage on the boundary road, subject to the rules and restrictions of this Board.

C. Fall
1 George H Fall, .13 of an acre in Malden, in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, $300. with right of frontage on the boundary road, subject to the rules and restrictions of this Board. On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the settlements were approved and ordered paid.

Offer of Eben L. Wellington declined.
C. Wellington
2 The Secretary submitted a proposition from Eben L. Wellington, about 18 acres of land in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for $6000., and on motion of Mr. Casas the offer was declined.

Papers C. Sewer
3 The following communication from the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Belmont was submitted by the Secretary and ordered placed on file.

Belmont, Mass., December 1, 1894.

To the Metropolitan Park Commission,

Gentlemen:-

The Town of Belmont proposes to lay a main drain and common sewer from a connection with the Metropolitan Sewer at Hills' Crossing to the corner of Lexington and Mill Streets. In reaching the point last mentioned it is considered desirable to cross a part of the Metropolitan Park Reservation at Waverly from the termination of Agassiz Avenue to Lexington (or North) Street, as shown on a sketch by the Engineer in charge of the proposed sewer which is submitted herewith, together with a statement by the Engineer of the reasons why it is necessary to cross the Reservation. You will see from this sketch and statement that unless an arrangement

can be made allowing the laying of the sewer across the Reservation as proposed the expense of construction will be very greatly increased. On behalf of the Town we desire to ask your Board to permit the sewer to be laid as desired, and if thought necessary to appoint a time for an interview at which a statement of the case can be more fully made and we can be informed on what terms if any our request can be granted. After it is laid, there will be no other visible indication of the presence of the sewer than a single manhole as shown by the sketch. We may add that one of the main reasons why the Town has undertaken the construction of this sewer is the desire of the Trustees of the Mass. Genl Hospital that such a sewer should be now built so as to provide an outlet for their sewerage from their new buildings at Waverley to be occupied next summer.

For and in behalf of the Selectmen of Belmont-

(signed) Josiah S. Kendall,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Richards the following order was passed."

Ordered:-- That permission is given to the Town of Belmont, to construct and maintain a sewer through and across a portion of the Beaver Brook Reservation as shown on a plan entitled Plan & Profile of a part of the Main Sewer for the Town of Belmont, Mass., as designed by E.A. W. Hammatt, C. E., dated Nov. 17, 1894, a copy of which plan to be filed by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Belmont in the Secretary's office, of this Board.

The Secretary submitted the draft of a transfer of the West Roxbury Parkway to the

Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston which was accepted by the Board and, after having been signed, the Secretary was instructed to deliver the same to His Honor, the Mayor of Boston, to present to the City Council of said City.

Whereas the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, through its Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners created by act of the Legislature of said Commonwealth, Acts of 1893, Chapter 407, has taken land and rights in land, for the West Roxbury Parkway, so called, (being a tract of land on Bellevue Hill, so called, bounded in part by Washington and Lagrange Streets, with an approach or roadway leading Southerly from Weld Street), lying wholly in the City of Boston, and County of Suffolk, and said Commonwealth, said lands being particularly described in three Takings made by said Metropolitan Park Commission, one dated April 30, 1894, and two dated November 30, 1894, accompanied by official plans of said Commissioners, numbered respectively 12, 13 and 16, all duly recorded with Suffolk Deeds, reference to which or to the records thereof is hereby made for more particular description; and

Whereas said Metropolitan Park Commission deem it advisable and expedient to transfer the care and control of the open space constituting said Parkway to the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston aforesaid, at the request of said Boston Park Commissioners, with the consent and approval of said City of Boston, duly obtained and evidenced by instruments hereunto annexed, reference to which is hereby made;

Now Therefore this Indenture made the twentieth day of December A.D. 1894 between the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners above named, of the first part and the Board of Park Commissioners of said City of Boston, of the second part,

Witnesseth: That in consideration of the premises, said party of the first part doth hereby, under and by virtue and in pursuance of the power and authority upon it conferred by said Act of the Legislature, and of every other power and authority hereto enabling, and in further consideration of one cent to it paid by said Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston, transfer, assign and set over unto the said Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston, and their successors for the time being, the care, control and custody of all the lands and rights in land hereinbefore mentioned or referred to.

To Have and to Hold the same, for the term of nine hundred and ninety-nine years, from the first day of December A.D. 1894 free of rent or compensation, but without expense of any kind to said party of the first part.

And the same Board of Park Commissioners of said City of Boston, doth hereby, in consideration of all the above-made recitals and facts and the transfer herein made, accept the care, custody and control of the lands and rights in land above described or referred to, upon the terms and for the uses and purposes above prescribed.

In Witness Whereof, we the undersigned Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, and we, the undersigned Board of Park Com-

missioners of the City of Boston, all duly authorized, as aforesaid but in no event incurring any personal liability by reason of the execution of this Indenture, have hereunto interchangeably set our hands and seals, this twentieth day of December, A.D. 1894.

Metropolitan Park Commission,
(signed) Charles Francis Adams, Chairman.
" Philip A. Chase,
" William B. de las Casas,
" A. L. Richards.

Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.
(signed) Charles F. Sprague, Chairman,
" Francis A. Walker
" John F. Andrew.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Suffolk, ss. December 20, 1894.

Then personally appeared the above-named Charles Francis Adams and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed.

Before me,
(signed) Herbert S. Carruth,
Justice of the Peace.

City of Boston, in Common Council, December 20, 1894.

The within instrument, transferring the care, control and custody of the West Roxbury Parkway, so-called, taken by the Metropolitan Park Commission in behalf of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts from said Park Commission to the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston, having been read, it was

Ordered: That the said transfer is hereby assented to and approved, and the Board of Park Commissioners of said City of Boston are hereby authorized to execute the same accordingly.
In Common Council, Dec. 20, 1894. Passed.
Sent up for concurrence.

(signed) Chas. F. O. [illegible] President.

City of Boston, in Board of Aldermen, December 24, 1894,
Passed in concurrence,
(signed) Alpheus H. Sanford, Chairman.

Approved, December 29, 1894
(Signed) N. Matthews, Jr.
Mayor of the City of Boston.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land made by him—

In the Blue Hills Reservation,

1 Geo. [illegible], [illegible] $50. per acre.
2 Ida F. Chafleigh 6 " 3 " $100. " "

In the Middlesex Fells Reservation

3 Card & Elbridge Gerry, 1.87 acres $350.

Report of Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot

Messrs. Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot submitted the following report which was ordered placed on the table.

4 19th December, 1894.

Charles Francis Adams,

Chairman of the Metropolitan Park Commission:

Sir: We send herewith mounted sun-prints of the surveys ordered by the Board some time since.

Namely: a survey of a route for a boulevard between the Fells Reservation and Lynn by way of Lynn Woods; a survey of a route for a parkway between Everett Railroad Station and Revere

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Beach; a survey of a route for a parkway between the southern end of Revere Beach and Winthrop Great Head; a survey of a route for a parkway between the northern end of Revere Beach and Market Street, Lynn, and a survey of a route for a parkway between Stony Brook Reservation and the Blue Hills Reservation by way of Paul's Bridge. These surveys have been made along the line of routes designated by us, but devised to connect points designated by the Commission. These surveys, we believe, establish the feasibility of the several routes, and by laying these maps before the Commission we understand that we have completed our duties in these matters so far as we have been instructed by the Board up to this time.

Respectfully submitted
(signed) Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot.

Letter from Mr. Walter C. Wright ordered placed on file.

1 C. Wright

The Secretary submitted a letter from Mr. Walter C. Wright acknowledging the receipt of the communication of the Chairman of this Board relating to his gift of land in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. Ordered placed on file.

Request from Capt. Westcott to use rifle range in Medford not granted.

2 C. Rifle Range

The Secretary submitted a request from Captain John H. Westcott, of Company E, 5th Regiment, M.V.M. for permission to use the old rifle range in Medford in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. On motion of Mr. Casas the Secretary was instructed to notify Captain Westcott that his request could not be granted.

3 C. [illegible] C. [illegible] W.R.P.

The Secretary submitted the following report upon the matter of restrictions and conditions upon lands adjacent to the West Roxbury Parkway.

[illegible]

December 2, 189[illegible]

Charles Francis Adams, Chairman.

Sir:-

I desire to call the attention of the Board to a very important consideration in connection with the settlement of land damages along the line of the Blue Hills Parkway, viz: What conditions or restrictions can the Board propose to place upon lands which abut upon said Parkway, such as rights of way into said Parkway, distance back from the Parkway for a building line, character or cost of buildings to be erected thereon. These questions have arisen already in nearly every case and will have an important bearing upon the prices which the Commission will have to pay for lands taken. In very many cases the line of the Parkway cuts through an estate leaving perhaps a small portion, unavailable for building on account of its diminutive size but valuable if the owner has rights of way upon the Parkway which will enable him to sell the land to adjoining owners who must obtain it if they desire to protect their own property lines, thus giving it a market value. If, on the other hand, such remnants have no rights in the Parkway the owners are, of course, at the mercy of adjoining owners who can pay whatever price they see fit.

It seems desirable that the Board should at once take up and determine these questions.

Respectfully submitted

(signed) H. S. Carruth

Secretary

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On motion of Mr. de las Casas the Secretary was instructed, in conjunction with the Landscape Architects and Law Department, to submit a report

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Report of Secretary on uniforms of Police

C. Uniforms — Police

Secretary to have specimen uniform made —

The Secretary submitted the following report on the uniforms of the Police, which was accepted and on motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was instructed to have a specimen uniform made of green cloth and submitted to the Board for its consideration.

December 20, '94.

Charles Francis Adams, Chairman;

Sir:—

In conformity with a vote passed by this Board I beg leave to report on the uniforms for the Police employed by this Commission in the various reservations.

After a careful investigation and a consultation with various large establishments I find that the best arrangement, everything taken into consideration, can be made with the firm of Leopold Morse and Company, who will furnish a uniform which seems to your Secretary to be suitable for the requirements of the force for a sum not exceeding \$47. This includes the suit, overcoat and hat. The summer uniform would be in the vicinity of \$20. for the suit. After a careful investigation of the wear and tear caused by constant contact with the shrubs, trees, etc., in the reservations and of the wearing quality of the colors, I should advise the selection of a dark blue uniform. Perhaps the principal reason why I recommend the blue color is that a gray or any other light color is apt to become shabby on account of the duties of the police in putting out brush fires. It is desirable to have some color which will not show work. It must be borne in mind that at certain seasons of the year this duty is a very pressing one and consequently will be apt to

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[illegible]

Respectfully submitted
(signed) [illegible]
Secretary.

Communication from Engineer. Engineers Civil

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Engineer requesting that M. B. Brewer be placed upon his force at $100. per month and Isaac P. Elzett at $2.50 per day. On motion of Mr. Casas the foregoing recommendations were adopted and the appointments confirmed.

Report of committee on additional clerical [illegible] in Secretary's office. Salaries Clerks.

Mr. Casas, for the committee to whom was referred the question of the employment of additional clerical assistance in the Secretary's office, reported in favor of increasing the salary of Miss M. V. Habberley, as suggested in the report of the Secretary submitted at the last meeting, to the sum of $700. per annum to begin January 1st, 1895, and that the question of an additional typewriter and stenographer be postponed until the question of the Claim Agent and other organization be decided. On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the report of the committee was accepted and the following order was passed.

Salary of [illegible] Habberley [illegible]

Ordered:-- That the salary of [illegible] V. Habberley, stenographer and typewriter in the office of the Secretary of this Board be fixed at the sum of $700. per annum beginning January 1st, 1895, until otherwise ordered.

Majority and minority report committee on appointment of Claim Agent. 3 Claim Agent

The committee to whom was referred the question of the appointment of a claim agent submitted a majority and minority report. Mr. P. A. Chase and the Chairman reported recommending the appointment of Edgar J. Rich at a salary of $2500. per annum, an allowance of $500. per

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[illegible]m for office rent and the privilege of continuing a portion of his private practice. Mr. Richards, a minority of the committee, dissented from the report of the majority of the committee and recommended the appointment of Mr. F. E. Critchett. On motion of Mr. Casas the majority report was accepted and the following orders passed.

Mr. Edgar J. Rich appointed Claim Agent.

Ordered: -- That Mr. Edgar J. Rich be appointed the Claim Agent of this Board at an annual salary of $2500. per annum.

Mr. Rich allowed $500. per annum for office rent.

Ordered: -- That there be allowed to Mr. Edgar J. Rich a sum of $500. per annum for office rent.

To the motion as made by Mr. Casas accepting the report of the majority and the passage of the order relative to the salary of Mr. Rich, Mr. Richards recorded his dissent.

Communication from Mrs. W. P. Greeley ordered placed on file.

A communication was received from Mrs.
1 W. P. Greeley relating to land taken from her in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, which was ordered placed on file.

2 On motion of Mr. Casas the following was passed: -

Taking of Bears Den Entrance to Middlesex Fells

Whereas the Taking for the Bears Den Entrance from Highland Avenue, to the Middlesex Fells, comprising land in Malden and Medford, shown upon a plan of lands for the Fells Parkway, so-called, made by William T. Pierce, engineer, September 19, 1894, and called Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 17, which this Board signified its intention to make, by vote dated October 18, 1894, was not completed and capable of being recorded within sixty days from that time; and whereas this Board is still of opinion that the Taking should be made and completed;

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Now Therefore, it is hereby
Ordered: -- That a Taking in all respects corresponding with said attempted Taking, containing the same description of the lands to be taken, and referring to the same plan, be and the same hereby is voted and made in all respects as if this were the original and only vote relating to the same.

Adjourned at 4.30 P.M.

A. S. Carruth Secretary

74th
Dec. 27 1894.

Report of the seventy fourth (74th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, December 27. at 1.30 P.M.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary reported number men employed.

The Secretary reported the number of men employed, as follows:--

Beaver Brook Reservation
1 Superintendent, 4 Laborers.
Blue Hills Reservation
6 Foremen, 142 Laborers.
Middlesex Fells Reservation
3 Foremen. 53 Laborers.
Boulevard Department
1 Foreman, 26 Laborers
Stony Brook Reservation
2 Foremen, 24 Laborers.

Secretary submitted letter from Mr. McIntyre which was referred.

The Secretary submitted a letter from Mr. Peter McIntyre stating that he expected to receive a compensation of $150. an acre for the land

McIntyre taken from him by this Commission in the

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Blue Hills Reservation. The matter was referred to the Chairman of the Board.

Secretary submitted draft of transfer of Bear Hill Reservation in Stoneham

The Secretary submitted a draft of the proposed deed of the Bear Hill Reservation which he was instructed to submit to Mr. Stevens of the Stoneham Park Board and if acceptable to him to have the same signed and recorded.

c. Stoneham

Adjourned at 2.30 P.M.

A. L. Rauth, Secretary.

75th Jan. 3, 1895.

Report of the seventy-fifth (75th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, January 3rd, 1895.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary reported number of men employed.

The Secretary reported the number of men employed as follows:—

Beaver Brook Reservation.

1 Superintendent, 4 Laborers.

Blue Hills Reservation,

6 Foremen, 141 Laborers,

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

3 Foremen, 49 Laborers,

Boulevard Department,

1 Foreman, 26 Laborers.

Stony Brook Reservation

2 Foremen, 24 Laborers

Secretary instructed to settle with Rufus Pierce for land.

The Secretary submitted the proposition of Rufus Pierce to settle his claim for 1½ acres of land and buildings in the Eastern Section of the Blue Hills Reservation for $2500. On motion of the Chairman the Secretary was instructed to

c. Pierce

settle the claim for a sum not exceeding $[illegible]

[illegible margin note] 1 The Secretary submitted a proposition to settle the claim of [illegible] and William [illegible] for a certain parcel of land on the [illegible] way on [illegible] Street for $[illegible]. On motion of Mr. [illegible] Chase the Secretary was instructed to settle the above claim for a sum not exceeding $[illegible].

Settlement of 1.02 acres belonging to [illegible] Watts.

2 C. [illegible] Mr. [illegible] reported the settlement of 1.02 acres belonging to Mr. Isaac Watts, near the Summer Street Entrance of the Middlesex Fells Reservation, for the sum of $400, with rights of frontage on the Boundary Road, subject to the advice of our Counsel as to the safety of taking a release by Watts of all rights by reason of the taking of his land in lieu of a deed.

Secretary authorized to settle with Peter McIntyre for 70. per acre.

3 C. [illegible] The Chairman reported upon the settlement of the land of Peter McIntyre in the Blue Hills Reservation recommending that the Secretary be authorized to settle the claim of Mr. McIntyre for a sum not exceeding $[illegible] per acre.

Secretary submitted estimates of appropriation for 1895.

4 C. Finance, Maintenance. The Secretary submitted estimates for the necessary appropriation for the care and maintenance of this Department for the year 1895. After some amendments and discussion on motion of Mr. P. A. Chase, the following items were passed and the Secretary was directed to transfer the same to the Auditor.

Estimates, 1895.

Salaries;

Central Office.

Secretary,	2000.
1st Stenographer	700.
2nd "	[illegible]
Messenger.	300
	[illegible]

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Amount forward –		5400.
General Superintendent		2000.
Forester		2000.
		9400.
Police,		
Regular,	15000.	
Special,	2500.	
		17500.
Rent,		1700.
Stationery, maps, books, etc.		1500.
Travelling Expenses,		2000.
Repairs, etc.,		2500.
Telephones,		400.
Keep of horses, etc.,		500.
Contingent Expenses		1500.
		$37,000.

c. Discharges of Police, Sp.
Appointment of Mr. Willard Ferguson as special police in Blue Hills, revoked.

1 On motion of Mr. H. L. Chase the following order was passed: --

Ordered: That the appointment of Mr. Willard Ferguson of the Blue Hill Observatory as a special police officer to serve without pay in the Blue Hills Reservation, made at the meeting held April 20, 1894, is hereby revoked.

c. Law Dept.
Report of Committee on Legal Department

2 The committee on Legal Department submitted the following report.

January 3rd, 1895

Charles Francis Adams, Chairman.

Sir: --

The Committee on Legal Department report and advise that the firm of Balch and Rackemann be retained as Counsel of this Board on these terms: –

1st. – The titles are to be examined and charged for as heretofore according to the work done.

2nd. – The firm is to render all further

1875 Jan. 3 [illegible] legal services required at the rate of [illegible] per annum for such services so long as rendered.

3d. — This agreement to be terminable and subject to a readjustment of salary and other terms at any time after three months upon reasonable notice by either party.

It is understood that all claims cases be dealt with by the other offices of the Commission until such a report, and that up to that time the Claims Agent shall be in consultation with said Clerk of [illegible] and shall collect and preserve as far as possible incident to his work the evidence relating to each claim.

(signed) H. R. de la Cour.

Report of Committee accepted. The report of the Committee was accepted and the recommendations adopted.

Report of Committee on additional service in Secretary's office. The committee on the employment of additional assistance in the Secretary's office submitted the following report.

[illegible] January 3, 1875.

Metropolitan Park Commission,

The committee on the employment of additional office assistance and increase of salary of the present stenographer, having reported on the matter of the salary of the present stenographer, now further report that it is advisable to employ one additional stenographer at a salary not exceeding at the rate of [illegible] per annum.

(signed) H. R. de la Cour.

The report was accepted and on motion of Mr. [illegible] the following order was passed.

Secretary to employ stenographer. Ordered: — That the Secretary be authorized to employ through the [illegible] Commission a stenographer at a salary not exceeding [illegible]

Report of Secretary on Claim of Francis H. Bacon.

c. Bacon

per annum.

The Secretary submitted the following report relating to the Claim of Francis H. Bacon for land taken in the Middlesex Fells Reservation in the town of Winchester.

January 3, 1895.

Charles Francis Adams, Chairman.

Sir:-

Agreeably to the instructions of the Board, I submit herewith the proposition of Mr. Francis H Bacon, relating to his land in the town of Winchester. By a plan which accompanies this report Mr. Bacon has indicated three possible boundary lines which as I understand him, are arrived at by a consultation with Mr. Eliot.

If the Commission will abandon all land taken by them back to the line marked A, Mr. Bacon demands compensation for his land including that of Elizabeth K. Bacon, at the same rate as the average rate per acre paid Mr. Hyman. If, however, the Board will not do this, but will abandon the land back to the boundary marked B, he demands a compensation at the rate of five cents per foot, for land taken between boundary A and B; but, on the other hand, if the Board will not abandon any, he demands ten cents per foot for that taken between boundary B and C. The average price paid to Mr. Hyman was $93. an acre. I submit the proposition exactly as made by Mr. Bacon to me, using his own words, as follows: "This is my ultimatum, and I will not change these prices in the slightest." It seems to me that his prices are very high according to each of his propositions.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) [illegible]
[illegible]

On motion of Mr. [illegible] the same propositions as made by Mr. [illegible] were declined.

The Secretary submitted a report of [illegible] Morse, Samuel S. Gleason and Frederick E. Crutchett upon the values of lands proposed to be taken on the banks of the Charles River between Cottage Farm and the Waltham-Watertown line showing an estimated value according to the first taking of $337,701, estimated value of land according to additional taking of $13,973. The matter was referred to the Chairman of the Board.

Landscape Architects submit map of Metropolitan District.

2 The Landscape Architects submitted a map of the Metropolitan District and upon their recommendation the Secretary was authorized to make a contract with Messrs George H. Stadley and Co., 16 City Hall Avenue, for the completion of the map of the Metropolitan District, under the [illegible] of the Landscape Architects, for the sum of $[illegible]5., as per specifications submitted by said George H. Stadley and Co.

Secretary to make contract with Geo H. Stadley & Co. for completion of maps.

3 The Landscape Architects submitted a memorandum of an [illegible] between the Commission and their firm, Messrs Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, as to the nature of the work to be performed and the compensation to be received by said firm. The memorandum was ordered placed on file.

4 On motion of Mr. [illegible] the Secretary was authorized to have papers prepared for the transfer of the care and control of the Bear Hill Reservation belonging to the Town of Stoneham to the Commission for a term of 999 years.

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Adjourned at 4 P.M.

[illegible] Secretary.

76th Jan. 11, 1895.

Report of the 76th (seventy-sixth) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, January 11th, 1895, at 1.30 P.M.

Present. All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary submitted number of men employed.

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows:--

Beaver Brook Reservation.

1 Superintendent, 4 Laborers.

Blue Hills Reservation,

7 Foremen, 142 Laborers.

Middlesex Fells Reservation,

3 Foremen, 52 Laborers

Boulevard Department,

1 Foreman, 24 Laborers,

Stony Brook Reservation,

2 Foremen, 24 Laborers.

The propositions for settlement [illegible] by the Secretary

The Secretary submitted the following propositions for settlement of land in the West Roxbury Parkway:--

c. Black 1 George E. Black, and others, 4364 square feet of land at 20 cents per square foot.

c. Black c. Mitchell 2 George E. Black and William S. Mitchell 35220 square feet at 25 cents per square foot.

c. Black 3 George E. Black and others, 40675 square feet of land at 30 cents per square foot.

On the recommendation of the Secretary the above offers were declined.

J. W. Gomes, the estate on the corner of Syracuse and Washington Streets, containing 10,424 square feet of land for the sum of $2,500.

On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase the proposition was accepted and ordered paid.

Property belonging to the Unitarian Parish, 52,845 square feet of land at 12 cents per square foot. The Secretary recommended that the offer be declined and on motion of Mr. W. L. Chase the Secretary was authorized to settle the claim for a sum not exceeding $5000.

3 The Secretary submitted a proposition of settlement from Annie I. Riley for 4.917 acres near the Southern boundary of the Middlesex Fells Reservation in the City of Medford for the consideration of $800. per acre. On motion of Mr. Evans the offer was declined.

4 The Secretary submitted a statement from Mr. Charles W. Wells in relation to the Campbell land in the Beaver Brook Reservation, stating that $3000. was the smallest sum that he cared to discuss as the compensation for the land taken from said Campbell. On motion of Mr. Richards the proposition was declined.

Campbell

5 The Secretary submitted the following report which was read and ordered placed on file.

January 10, 1895.

Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir:--

I beg leave to make a preliminary report relating to the cost of the Revere Beach Reservation, so far as the items of the cost of the change of location of the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad, including the

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grade damage caused thereby, the values of real estate to be taken between Crescent Beach, near Ocean Pier, and Point of Pines, inclusive, together with the cost of moving the poles and wires now existing on the present location of the Revere Beach Railroad, and belonging, I understand, to the New England Telephone Co. The estimate of cost of moving the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad to the new location, including changes in highways according to the estimate of E. K. Turner, Civil Engineer, is $200,000.

The real estate cost of the location and grade damages resulting from the separation of highway grades	115,000.
The estimate of the value of land taken, and damage to adjoining estates, between the proposed line of the Boulevard to the shore, including all property of the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad between its present location and the ocean	494,000.
Changing the location of telephone pole	5,000.

The item of $494,000. does not include any money paid as bonus to either the Boston and Maine or the Boston Revere Beach and Lynn Railroads. Should the whole tract, known as the Point of Pines property be included, it would be necessary to add at least $100,000.

This completes as a preliminary estimate the cost of the proposed reservation with the exception of the construction of a parkway. Of that work I have as yet no estimate from our Engineer but should have one in the course of a few days. The estimates of land values have been arrived at by Mr. Rich, the Claim Agent, after a careful consultation with Mr. Flinn, a real estate agent of Revere,

and also with Mr. [illegible], the Civil Engineer who has been employed heretofore by the Board in this matter, and who has made a careful study of all the questions relating to the various locations.

Mr. [illegible] can in detail explain these various figures, showing the cost of each block of the shore front, between Crescent Beach and the Point of Pines.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) H. L. Carruth,
Secretary.

1 A communication from the General Superintendent, requesting authority to add another gang of twelve men in the Stony Brook Reservation, was presented by the Secretary to the Board and on motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the Secretary was instructed to cause the employment of an additional force not exceeding twelve men in the Stony Brook Reservation.

Secretary authorized to employ 12 additional men in Stony Brook

2 The Secretary submitted drafts of the transfer of the care, custody and control of the Bear Hill Reservation belonging to the town of Stoneham to this Board for the term of 999 years. On motion of Mr. Casas the draft as submitted by the Law Department was approved and ordered carried into operation.

3 A hearing was given to the Honorable the Mayor of Malden, and citizens of Malden, Melrose, Wakefield and Stoneham on the subject of the consideration of a boulevard from the said towns through Somerville towards Boston. A discussion, participated in by the members of the Board and by the gentlemen representing the above towns, very general in its character, was had and the

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Chairman finally stated that when this Board was ready to act they would be duly notified of said fact.

c. Takings. BHR. Taking No. 19.

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the following order of taking was passed.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners.

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Taking of four small parcels in the Blue Hills Reservation.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act.

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, being the Board of Park Commissioners of the town of Milton, the town of Braintree having no such Commissioners, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, being four parcels, three of which lie in the

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line of Milton and in the Town of Canton, in the County of Norfolk, and shown on plan entitled "Blue Hills Reservation Additions to Western, East Middle and Middle and Eastern Sections; Boundaries of Lands taken. Survey by H. T. Whitman, Surveyor, Quincy, January, 1895; Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot, Landscape Architects;" being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 19, the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official records of said Commission, more accurately bounded and described as follows, viz:—

First.— A parcel in said Milton, being an addition to the Western section of the Blue Hills Reservation, established by a taking heretofore made by said Commission, dated December 2, 1893, accompanied by Metropolitan Park Commissioners' No. 3, both which are duly recorded, reference to which is hereby especially made, beginning at a point in the boundary line of said taking, which point is marked D on said Plan No. 3, and on said plan of Whitman, and is on the line between lands taken from Mary de Forest Carey and remaining land of hers; thence running westerly or south-westerly along said boundary line of said prior taking by a curve with a radius of nine hundred twenty-two and eighty-three one-hundredths feet, three hundred ninety and twenty-five one-hundredths (390.25) feet to point marked F on said plan; thence south-westerly more southerly three hundred thirty-two and fifty-four one-hundredths (332.54) feet to point marked E on said plan; thence south westerly and more westerly by a curve with a radius of five hundred seventy-six and forty-eight one-hundredths feet, four hundred sixty-six and thirty-four one-hundredths (466.34) feet to stake in said boundary line which stake is distant seven hundred

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fifteen and fifty-three hundredths feet south-easterly from the point marked D on said Plan, running along said Park boundary line, and which point is in the boundary line between lands taken from Roger Wolcott and remaining land of his; thence turning back at a sharp acute angle, and running easterly and north-easterly, curving to the left, on a radius of four hundred thirty-one and eighteen hundredths feet, three hundred forty-eight and eight-tenths (348.8) feet to a stake standing in land taken from Edward E. Floyd; thence north-easterly two hundred seventy-four and fifty-nine one-hundredths (274.59) feet to another stake in land taken from Edward E. Floyd; thence north-easterly, curving to the east on a radius of ten hundred forty-one and five one-hundredths feet, five hundred sixty-one and twenty-nine one-hundredths (561.29) feet to said point marked G, the place of beginning; comprising 27,235 square feet of land, more or less, taken partly from said Mary de Forest Denny, partly from said Edward E. Floyd and partly from said Roger Wolcott, and being parcel numbered one (1) upon said Plan made by said Whitman.

Second. — A parcel in said Milton, on Forest Street, being an addition to the West Middle section of the Blue Hills Reservation, established by a taking heretofore made by said Commission, dated January 5, 1894, accompanied by Plan No. 4 of said Metropolitan Park Commission, both which are duly recorded and hereby referred to, beginning at the intersection of the boundary line of said former taking with the town line between said Milton and the city of Quincy and the south-westerly side line of said Forest Street; running thence northerly along said side line of said

street four hundred thirty-three (433) feet to a stake standing in said side line and in land of Peter McIntyre; thence turning at an acute angle, and running southerly and westerly, curving to the right, on a radius of seventy-two and ninety-three one-hundredths feet, one hundred thirteen and sixty-two one-hundredths (113.62) feet to a stake standing in land taken from said McIntyre; thence running south-westerly in a straight line thirty-five and sixty-five hundredths (35.65) feet to a stake in land taken from said McIntyre; thence running south-westerly more westerly, curving to the right, on a radius of fifteen hundred forty and sixty-four hundredths feet, four hundred eighty-nine and eighty-three one-hundredths (489.83) feet to a stake standing in the boundary line of said former taking; thence turning back at an acute angle, and running easterly and south-easterly, by said boundary line of said former taking, to the point of beginning; containing 1.38 acres, be the same more or less; comprising land taken in part from Lycena Chaddock and in part from said Peter McIntyre, and being the parcel numbered two (2) on said plan of Whitman.

Third. - A parcel in said Milton, on Randolph Avenue, being an addition to the East Middle section of the Blue Hills Reservation, established by a taking heretofore made by said Commission, dated December 29, 1893, accompanied by Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 5, both which are duly recorded and hereby referred to, beginning at the point marked C on said last-named plan, in the easterly side line of said Randolph Avenue, in land taken

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from Fanny A. Tucker; thence running easterly and north-easterly, curving to the left, on a radius of one hundred fifty feet, one hundred eighty-seven and nineteen hundredths (187.19) feet to a stake in the boundary line of said taking, at a point marked D on said last-named plan and on said plan of Whitman; thence turning back at an acute angle, and running south-westerly and westerly, curving to the right, on a radius of ninety-three and seventeen hundredths feet, one hundred seven and seventy-three hundredths (107.73) feet to a stake in the line between land of said Fanny A. Tucker and land of Hudson L. Bowley; thence running north-westerly along said line fifty (50) feet to a stake in said line; thence running more northerly, curving to the right, on a radius of one hundred thirty-one and sixty-eight hundredths feet, ninety-five and fifty-seven hundredths (95.57) feet, to a stake in land of said Bowley, in the north-easterly side line of said Randolph Avenue; thence turning back at an acute angle and running south-easterly on said side line of said Randolph Avenue ninety-six and five-tenths (96.5) feet, to the point of beginning, being the parcel marked number three (3) on said plan of Whitman; containing 3,535 square feet, more or less, and comprising three lots of land, two taken from said Hudson L. Bowley and one from said Fanny A. Tucker.

Fourth.— A parcel in said Braintree on Purgatory Road, being an addition to the Eastern section of the Blue Hills Reservation, established by a taking heretofore made by said Commission, dated December 29, 1893, accompanied by Metropolitan

Park Commissioners' Plan No. 6, both which are duly recorded, and hereby referred to, beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the town line between said Braintree and said Quincy, with the westerly boundary line of Purgatory Road, so called, fifteen hundred and fifty-one feet southerly from Willard Street in said Quincy, measuring along said line of said Purgatory road; thence running south-westerly along said boundary line between Braintree and Quincy, eight hundred and forty-two (842) feet to a stake in land of Thomas Forsythe; thence turning back at an acute angle, and running nearly easterly by a straight line one hundred, forty-seven and fifty-five hundredths (147.55) feet to a stake in land of said Forsythe; thence easterly and south-easterly, curving to the right, on a radius of fifty-one and five-tenths feet, ninety-nine and eighty-seven hundredths (99.87) feet to a stake in said side line of said Purgatory Road; thence turning back at an acute angle and running in a general north-easterly direction by said side line of said Purgatory Road, eight hundred three and five-tenths (803.5) feet to the point of beginning; containing 1.64 acres of land, more or less, and comprising two lots, one taken from the heirs of Job Turner and one taken from said Thomas Forsythe, and being the parcel shown as number four (4) on said Plan of Whitman.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof included within the foregoing description, or howsoever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Witness our hands, this tenth day of January, 1895.

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On motion of Mr. Casas the following order of taking was passed:—

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Taking No. 2.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners,
January 10, 1895.

Taking of Pine Tree Brook Entrance, Blue Hills Reservation.

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Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature, of the Commonwealth, of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local boards, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying chiefly in Milton, but partly in Quincy, in the county of Norfolk, and shown on plan marked "Blue Hills Reservation, Pine Tree Brook Entrance.

Randolph Ave., Milton; Boundary of Lands taken; Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects. . . . Surveyed by H. T. Whitman, Surveyor, Quincy, Mass., Jany. 1895;" being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 20, the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows, viz.: A tract of land lying chiefly in Milton, but partly in Quincy, both in the county of Norfolk, and being an addition to the East Middle and Eastern Divisions of the Blue Hills Reservation, so called, established by said Metropolitan Park Commission by virtue of two takings, both dated December 29, 1893, recorded with Norfolk Deeds, Book 707, page 119, and Book 706, page 601, respectively, and accompanied by Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plans Nos. 5 and 6, all of which are duly recorded and hereby referred to; beginning at a stake in the southerly side line of Randolph Avenue in said Milton, nearly opposite the junction of said Randolph Avenue with Highland Street, so called, in land of John M. Forbes; thence running south-westerly and southerly, curving to the left, on a radius of ninety-six and sixty-six hundredths feet, ninety-two and twenty-eight hundredths (92.28) feet to a stake; thence by a straight line nearly southerly seventy-nine and fifty-six hundredths (79.56) feet to a stake; thence a little more south-westerly, curving to the right, on a radius of two hundred eighty-two and nine-tenths feet, one hundred thirty and six tenths (130.6) feet to a stake; thence south-westerly by a straight line three hundred five and sixty-six hundredths (305.66) feet to a stake; thence a little more southerly, curving to the left, on a radius of thirteen hundred ninety-eight

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feet, five hundred eighty-seven and two-tenths (587.2) feet to a stake; thence nearly southerly by a straight line, two hundred twenty-eight and ninety-five hundredths (228.95) feet to a stake; thence southerly and south easterly, curving to the left, on a radius of six hundred eighty-six and nine-tenths feet, three hundred eighty-nine and twenty-one hundredths (389.21) feet to a stake; thence south-easterly by a straight line six hundred twenty-six and twelve hundredths (626.12) feet to a stake near a cart path in land of Nathan Grossman; thence southerly and south-westerly, curving to the right, on a radius of three hundred forty-five and two hundredths feet, two hundred twelve and ninety-six hundredths (212.96) feet to a stake; thence south-westerly by a straight line two hundred nineteen and two-tenths (219.2) feet to a stake; thence south-westerly and south-easterly, curving to the left, on a radius of one hundred fifty-five and eight hundredths feet, one hundred seventy-seven and sixty-five hundredths (177.65) feet to a stake; thence south-easterly by a straight line seven hundred eighty-two and eight-tenths (782.8) feet to a stake near the town line between said Milton and said Quincy, standing in land believed to be of Edward H. Reed; thence south-easterly and easterly, curving to the left, on a radius of three hundred eleven and fifty-nine hundredths feet, one hundred ninety-eight and seventy-six hundredths (198.76) feet to a stake in the boundary line of said former taking of said Eastern section in said Quincy, shown as point marked G on said Plan No. 6 and upon the Plan by said Whitman first herein above referred to; thence turning back at an acute angle and running

nearly westerly along the boundary line of said former taking of said Eastern section as shown upon said Plan No. 6, one hundred sixty two and eighty-seven hundredths (162.87) feet to a stake at point marked L on both said plans, standing in said boundary line between said Walton and said Ramsay; thence south-westerly nearly westerly along the boundary line of said taking of said East Middle section, as shown upon said Plan No. 5, sixteen hundred and fifty (1,650) feet to a stake at point marked K on said Plan No. 5 and upon said plan of said Whitman first herein above referred to; thence westerly and north-westerly, curving to the right, on a radius of six hundred and nine feet, three hundred eighty-six and fifty-three hundredths (386.53) feet along said boundary of said former taking to a stake at point marked J on said Plan No. 5 and on said plan of said Whitman first herein above referred to; thence turning back at an acute angle and running south-easterly, easterly and north-easterly on a curve with a radius of one hundred forty-one and sixty-six hundredths feet, two hundred eighty-six and eight-tenths (286.8) feet to a stake in land of estate of David W. Tucker; thence running nearly due north by a straight line eleven hundred forty-eight and ninety-five hundredths (1,148.95) feet to a stake in the boundary line between lands of McQuirk on the north and Tucker on the south; thence bending to the right and running north-easterly by a straight line five hundred fifty-nine and six-tenths (559.6) feet to a stake standing in land of said McQuirk near the southerly line of a cart path; thence northerly and north-westerly curving to the left, on a radius of three hundred twelve and forty-seven hundredths feet, one hundred seventy-seven and seventy-nine

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hundredths (177.79) feet to a stake standing in land of one Fletcher; thence north-westerly by a straight line two hundred ten (210) feet to a stake near the south-westerly side of a cart path in another lot of said Fletcher; thence north-westerly and northerly, curving to the right, on a radius of two hundred ten and twelve hundredths feet, one hundred eighty-six and sixty-six hundredths (186.66) feet to a stake near the westerly side of a cart path in said lot of said Fletcher; thence north-easterly by a straight line nearly parallel with the line of said cart path two hundred eight and three-tenths (208.3) feet to a stake still in said last-named lot of said Fletcher; thence north-easterly, north-westerly and westerly, curving to the left, on a radius of one hundred twenty-four and forty-eight hundredths feet, two hundred twenty and twenty-three hundredths (220.23) feet to a stake in land of estate of David W. Tucker; thence north-westerly nearly westerly by a straight line six hundred twenty-four and forty-nine hundredths (624.49) feet to a stake in the southerly side line of said Randolph Avenue, in land of one Lewis S. Conant; thence turning back at an acute angle, and running nearly easterly on said side line of said Randolph Avenue, and the same line continued across the head of an old road called "lane" on said first-mentioned plan of said Whitman, one hundred ninety-three and five-tenths (193.5) feet to a stake at a point formed by the intersection of the southerly side line of said Randolph Avenue with the northerly side line of said lane in land of said estate of David S. Tucker; thence running easterly and north-

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easterly, by several courses, by the northerly and north-westerly side line of said old road or lane adjoining lands of estate of said David H. Tucker and lands of one J. W. Welch, by several lines, given as five measurements on said first-mentioned plan of said Whitman, fourteen hundred seventy-two and two-tenths (1,472.2) and four hundred seventy-two and thirty-eight hundredths (472.38) feet, respectively, to a stake in land of said Welch; thence running north-easterly and northerly, curving to the left, on a radius of two hundred twelve and nineteen hundredths feet, ninety-eight and two-tenths (98.2) feet to a stake in land of said Welch; thence running by a straight line through land of said Welch thirty-one and sixty-seven hundredths (31.67) feet to a stake in land of said Welch; thence running northerly and westerly, curving to the left, on a radius of twenty-five feet, fifty-four and sixty-seven hundredths (54.67) feet to a stake in said southerly side line of said Randolph Avenue in land of said Welch; thence turning at an acute angle and running north-easterly along said side line of said Randolph Avenue one hundred eighty-four and one-tenth (184.1) feet to the place of beginning; containing 65.25 acres, be the same more or less, comprising tracts taken from various owners.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof included within the foregoing description, or however otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Witness our hands, this tenth day of January, A.D. 1895.

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Chairman reported on value of land on Charles River

C. L.T.T.

C. Claims L.T.T.

The Chairman made a verbal report concerning the reference to him of the matter of the values, etc., of lands along the Charles River and on motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the following order was passed.

Plans to be prepared for taking of land on north side of Charles River

Ordered:-- That the Secretary instruct the Engineer of the Board to prepare taking plans of the North side of Charles River as shown on plans made for the Commission and between Cambridge Street and North Harvard Street. The said plans to be made under the supervision and direction of the Landscape Architects.

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the following order was also passed:--

Secretary to obtain settlements with owners on Charles River

Ordered:-- That the Secretary be directed to obtain as far as may be settlements with the owners of said properties on Charles River as speedily as possible.

Messenger's salary increased to 5. a week. 2

C. Salary Messenger

The Secretary submitted a request from Edmund A. Mahoney, messenger in the Secretary's office, for an increase of salary to six dollars a week. On motion of Mr. Casas the Secretary was directed to notify the messenger that his salary from this date would be at the rate of five dollars per week.

Report of Chairman of Auditing Committee

C. Finances Accounts

Mr. P. A. Chase, the chairman of the committee of the auditing of accounts, presented a report stating that the accounts had been examined by Mr. Henry A. Piper, an expert, and that the same had been duly recorded, all payments being properly accompanied by vouchers duly approved. The report of the expert further made certain recommendations which, on the motion of the Chairman, were referred to the next meeting of the Board.

Annual report of Secretary 1

The Secretary read the first draft of his annual report which was "left over" until the next meeting for further consideration.

Adjourned at 4.45 P.M.

H. S. Garrith Secretary.

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Report of the seventy-seventh (77th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, January 17, 1895, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

[illegible]

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed as follows:--

Beaver Brook Reservation,

1 Superintendent 3 Laborers.

Blue Hills Reservation,

7 Foremen, 142 Laborers.

Middlesex Fells Reservation

3 Foremen, 54 Laborers,

Boulevard Department,

1 Foreman, 24 Laborers.

Stony Brook Reservation

2 Foremen, 23 Laborers.

Report of ... Land Arthur McGeouch.

The Secretary submitted the following

2 report on the matter of the land taken

McGeouch from Mr. Arthur McGeouch.

January 17, 1895.

Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir:--

Messrs. Thompson and Shattuck, the Attorneys for Mr. Arthur McGeouch, have made a request to me for an award to determine

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the damages on account of the taking of 3 1/2 acres or 153,512 square feet of land on the Woodland Road, bordering on the lands of the Malden Water Board in the Middlesex Fells Reservation.

I submitted to the Board last summer a proposition by Mr. McGeough's attorneys to settle the claim for the sum of ten cents per square foot, which proposition the Board rejected. I now understand that the shore front formerly owned by Mr. McGeough and taken by the Malden Water Board some two or three years since was adjusted at the rate of 6 1/4 cents a foot. It seems to me that in the taking of the shore front the particular element which gave the value to this tract of land was eliminated and that, therefore, the balance should be treated as any other fairly desirable land. It is very important that in making this award, as I am informed by our Counsel, that the Board should determine such a sum that while it is not too high shall not, on the other hand, be so low as to prejudice our case before a jury.

It is the opinion of our Counsel that injury to the interests of the Commission would ensue if an award was made at so low a figure as to create in the minds of the jury the feeling that it had been made either through ignorance of value or through a spirit of meanness to deprive the owner of his just compensation and by reason thereof he had been forced to litigate his claim.

On the other hand, it must be

bear in mind that prices are very liable also to almost invariably render a verdict in excess of our award.

In view of the considerations above stated it seems to me to be wise that the Board defer its action in the matter for about two weeks, during which time I will have the Claim Agent thoroughly investigate the question of values in that vicinity and make a special report thereon, which will enable the Board to arrive at an intelligent decision in the matter. I need hardly say that it is necessary and incumbent upon the Board to make an award upon such request after such a lapse of time as has ensued since the taking of the land, and the refusal of the Board to do so upon such a request would result to their detriment.

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) H. S. Smith,
Secretary.

Report accepted and Sec. instructed to submit another report [illegible] examination of land by Claim Agent.

On motion of Mr. [illegible] the above report was accepted and the Secretary was instructed to submit another report after the examination of the land made by the Claim Agent as recommended.

Settlements made by Secretary in Blue Hills Reservation.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land made by him in the Blue Hills Reservation.

Boston, January 17, 1895.

Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir:—

I submit the following settlements of land in the Blue Hills Reservation, and respectfully [illegible] that the same be approved and ordered paid.

1 J. E. Simonds, 5 acres, $45. per acre.
2 Mary E. Minchin, 1 acre 50.
3 Laura G. Price, 6½ acres, 40. " "

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1 Andrew J. Vose, 6 acres, $30. per acre.
2 David N. Hollis, et al. 4 " 40. " "
3 W. P. Hayden estate, 4 " 35. " "
4 J. P. Fenno, 7 " 40. " "

Respectfully submitted
(signed) H. S. Carruth,
Secretary

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the above settlements were approved and ordered paid.

Settlement of Secretary with First Unitarian Parish of West Roxbury.

The Secretary gave notice of his settlement of the land of the First Unitarian Parish

5 of West Roxbury, as follows:- according to the vote passed by the Board at a previous meeting authorizing the Secretary to settle the claim for $5000.-- 32,845 square feet at 8½ cents a foot with an allowance of $200. additional for cost of moving stable at present located upon the land taken.

O. Unitarian Parish

Sec'y submitted propositions for settlement in West Roxbury Parkway.

The Secretary submitted the following propositions for settlement of land taken in the West Roxbury Parkway.

C. W. R. P. [illegible]

6 P. O'Riordan, Executor, 6,574 square feet at 25 cents a foot. On motion of Mr. H. L. Chase the above settlement was approved and ordered paid.

7 W. Davis Wells, Trustee, 149,180 square feet of land with barn and sheds, $20,000. On motion of Mr. H. L. Chase the above settlement was assigned for future consideration.

8 Cyrus Hosmer, 5757 square feet and house $2800. On motion of Mr. H. L. Chase the Secretary was authorized to settle for the above premises for the sum of $2500.

9 The Secretary submitted the following propositions with the recommendation that they

be declined as being in the judgment [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] price.

1 Mary L. [illegible], [illegible] square feet of land two houses and barn $3,617.75

2 Philip [illegible], [illegible] square feet of land. $2,550.

3 Estate of Benjamin [illegible], 88,[illegible] square feet of land $5,000.

4 Sophia [illegible], [illegible] square feet of land, $300,

5 Alice Williams, 113,285 square feet of land. $[illegible],000.

All of the above properties are in the West Roxbury Parkway.

6 Arvilla A. Stocker 10 acres of land on Forest Street in the Middlesex Fells Reservation opposite Spot Pond, $400. per acre.

On motion of Mr [illegible] all of the above offers were declined.

7 The Secretary submitted the settlement of [illegible],364 feet of land taken from William S. Mitchell and others for the sum of 15 cents per square foot, said land being in the West Roxbury Parkway, and on motion of Mr. [illegible] L. Chase the proposition was accepted and ordered paid.

8 The Secretary also submitted the proposition of William S. Mitchell and others to settle 40,675 square feet of land in the West Roxbury Parkway for 25 cents per square foot, which proposition was referred to Mr. [illegible] Chase to report at a future meeting.

9 The Secretary also submitted the proposition of George E. Black and others to settle [illegible] square feet of land at 20 cents per square foot with the recommendation that the offer be declined and the Secretary authorized to settle for 17½ cents per

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square foot. On motion of Mr. H. L. Chase the Secretary was authorized to settle at the above rate of 17 1/2 cents per square foot.

Report of Secretary on the Mattapan Parkway.

The Secretary submitted the following report on the Mattapan Parkway.

C. B.H.P.

Boston, January 17, 1895.

C. Claims B.H.P. Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir:--

I submit herewith a report, as requested by the Board, showing the estimate of cost of the proposed Mattapan Parkway, from the square formed by the junction of River Street and Blue Hill Avenue at Mattapan, to Canton Avenue in Milton, a distance of 7,800 feet, or about 1½ miles. It will be seen by referring to the table that the takings of land aggregate 692,634 square feet, or about sixteen acres, which is estimated to cost $76,879.50. Upon this land are 13 buildings of different kinds more or less affected by the proposed taking, which are either worth or would be damaged to the extent of $26,400., making the total damage for land and buildings $103,279.50. Our Claims Agent has estimated betterments to the extent of $10,000., but upon carefully reviewing his figures, and going over with him his reasons for the betterments, it has seemed to me that the amount of betterment as figured by him could safely be doubled. If I am correct in this judgment the expense for land and buildings, less betterments, would be in the vicinity of $80,000. The cost of the construction of the Parkway is estimated by our Engineer to be $92,515.

Jan. 17, 1895 — thus making a total of the entire cost of land damage, less betterments, and construction. $172,300

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) H. S. Carruth,
Secretary.

The report was accepted and ordered placed on file.

Report of ... Winchester Parkway — The Secretary also submitted the following report on the matter of the Winchester Parkway which was accepted and ordered placed on file.

Boston, January 17, 1895.

Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir; —

Agreeably to the instructions of the Board, I beg leave to report upon the matter of the land cost of the Winchester Parkway as follows: —

	Land	and Buildings	Total.
[illegible],			20,000.
Irving S. Palmer,			3,500.
Alexis Cutting,	79,026 ft.		
	11,850.	9,500.	21,350.
T. J. O'Hara,	44,658 ft.		6,900.
Charles [illegible],	(estimated)		8,100.
Ann Lowe,	2,500. "	2,500.	5,000.
Others,	127,767 ft.		12,476
			77,326

The estimated cost of construction will be, one and one-quarter miles 75,000.

Total cost of land damages and construction. $152,326

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) H. S. Carruth,
Secretary.

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Appropriations for Parkways. Adjustment of land damages.

1 On motion of Mr. Casas the following order was passed;

Ordered:-- That there be appropriated and set apart from the Boulevard Loan, so-called, for the adjustment of land damages for parkway takings as follows:--

Winchester Parkway.	$80,000.
Mattapan "	80,000.
Fells "	75,000.

C. M.V.P.
C. B.H.P.
C. M.F.P.
C. Chairman M.V.P.
C. " B.H.P.
C. " M.F.P.

On motion of Mr. Casas the following order was passed:-

Appropriation from Boulevard Loan for construction of roadways.

Ordered:- That there be appropriated
2 and set apart from the Boulevard Loan for the purpose of paying for the construction of roadways within the following parkways, the sum of $200,000. to be approximately divided as follows:-

Winchester Parkway,	$40,000.
Mattapan "	60,000.
Fells "	100,000.

C. M.V.P.
C. B.H.P.
C. M.F.P.

And that this order be referred to the Landscape Architects to consult with the Engineer, and submit plans upon the above estimates of appropriation, together with such modifications of the above divisions of appropriations as may commend themselves to their judgment.

On motion of Mr. C.A. Chase the following order was passed.

Secretary to prepare Acts of Taking of Fells, Blue Hills & Mystic River Parkways.

Ordered:-- That the Secretary be
3 instructed to prepare and submit to the Board Acts of Taking of the Fells, Blue Hills and Mystic River Parkways, as per the plans of the Landscape Architects.

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C. B.H.P.
C. Takings. B.H.P.
C. " M.F.P.
" M.V.P.

Communication from Law Department.

A communication was received
4 from the Law Department relating to certain matters requiring legislative action.

C. Legislation. Bills to draft.

and the Secretary was directed to instruct the Law Department to prepare a bill on lines incorporating the matters contained in said letter.

Adjourned at 1.35 P.M.

A. S. Caruth Secretary

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Report of the seventy-eighth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the office of the Commission, rooms 111, 113 and 114 Ames Building, Friday, January 25th, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, all the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows:—

Beaver Brook Reservation,
Superintendent, 5 Laborers.
Blue Hills Reservation,
1 Foreman, 142 Laborers.
Middlesex Fells Reservation,
3 Foremen, 52 Laborers.
Boulevard Department,
1 Foreman, 38 Laborers.
Stony Brook Reservation,
2 Foremen, 25 Laborers.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land;

In the Blue Hills Reservation,

C. P. Robinson, 6 acres at $[illegible] per acre. On motion of Mr. [illegible] the above settlement was approved and ordered paid.

In the Beaver Brook Reservation,

The Hunt Heirs, 29.18 acres at

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^{50}/50. per acre. On motion of Mr. Richards the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

In the West Roxbury Parkway,

c. [illegible] 1 Philip [illegible], 25,186 feet in lots; 11,[illegible] feet in streets, total 36,083 ft. $2500.

c. [illegible] 2 [illegible] Durant, 24,092 feet in lots; [illegible] in streets, total 30,1[illegible] feet; $2400. On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the above two settlements were declined and the Secretary was authorized to settle at the same price [illegible] Mr. H. B. [illegible].

c. [illegible] 3 [illegible], 5,7[illegible] feet of land $[illegible]. The Secretary was authorized to settle on the best price possible not exceeding $25[illegible].

c. [illegible] 4 Messrs. Crowe and [illegible] ten cents per square foot. On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the offer was declined.

Letter from Mr. John E. Cassidy. 5 The Secretary submitted the following letter from Mr. John E. Cassidy.

c. Cassidy

Boston, Mass., Jan. 24th, 1895.

[illegible] Secretary,
Metropolitan Park Commission,
#11 Ames Building
Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter received today would say that the price I made to you on land at Faneuil some months ago had no bearing on my suit. I will now make you the following proposition, on condition that if [illegible] accept, you will not allow the contents of this letter to be used against me in the suit against the State of Massachusetts. [illegible] sell you the land in question for [illegible] cents per foot, and I will relinquish all claims [illegible]

mending. I will leave this offer open for your consideration until the 28th day of February, 18[illegible]. I specify this time as an opportunity presents itself in which I can invest, [illegible] I offer to you an advantage that [illegible] as I can.

Yours truly,

(Signed) John C. [illegible]

On motion of Mr. Richards the proposition was declined.

On motion of Mr. [illegible] the following order was passed:

Ordered:– That the Secretary be authorized to settle with [illegible] Hicks for land and buildings and rights in the same taken by this Commission and not already settled for on the following terms:–

1st, For all her property about Bond Street $[illegible],000. with the right in her to remove all of said buildings, except the office and storage building and machine shop now used by this Commission, and with the privilege to build a house upon the knoll above the old factory within the time and upon the terms provided in the agreement for settlement of [illegible] property and in substitution for and relinquishment of the rights there [illegible] in respect to any house and with the privilege of continuing by herself or her present licensee to take water substantially as at present, from the spring on the Holden lot, so called, for a period of two years from the date of this settlement.

2nd. An agreement by said Hicks with the Commission that she will at any time before July 1st, 18[illegible], accept the sum of $[illegible],000. in settlement of the lands as yet unpaid for between Bond Street and Wyoming Avenue, [illegible] View Street and Washington Street, excepting therefrom about one

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[illegible] use on Washington Street adjoining the old Grundy Place, so called, or in the event that said Commission within said period shall decide to abandon said property herein described then the said [illegible] will join with said Commission in said abandonment, and relinquish all claims for damages whether principal or interest by reason of the taking herein last described.

Sub-committee on Roxbury Latin School authorized to settle for $25,000.

C. Roxbury Latin School

1 On motion of Mr. H. L. Chase, Mr. P. A. Chase and the Secretary, as the committee on the settlement of the land of the Roxbury Latin School, were authorized to settle for a sum not exceeding $25,000 for the land of said School in the West Roxbury Parkway.

C. Ditches

In regard to ditch draining land of Lyman Dike.

2 The Secretary submitted the following order which, on motion of Mr. Chase, was passed.

Ordered: — That the Secretary instruct the General Superintendent to keep so much of the ditch as is within the limits of the Middlesex Fells Reservation draining Mr. Lyman Dike's land, adjacent to said Reservation, clear to a sufficient depth to prevent the flooding of said land of Dike.

Communication from President of the B., R.B. & L. R.R.

C. B.R.B. & L.R.R.

The Secretary submitted the following communication from the President of the Boston Revere Beach and Lynn R.R., dated January 21. 3

Boston, January 21st, 1895.

Mr. Philip A. Chase,

Lynn, Mass.

My dear Sir; —

Your request for a statement of our position respecting the re-location of this Railroad, in consequence of the proposed taking of its Beach location at Revere Beach, has been communicated to me.

The sub-committee of the Board of Directors having the matter in charge, [illegible]

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with Mr. Furnen the Superintendent, and Mr. Thompson the Engineer, we beg leave to report as follows, having no doubt, assuming that the figures are [illegible], are [illegible] upon the present cost of materials and labor and, therefore, [illegible] to [illegible] as above [illegible] the [illegible] your Board [illegible] not [illegible] for several months.----

We will do the grading, masonry, bridging, track-work, highway-work, and station-work necessary to remove the Eastern, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad from its present location to the proposed new location, along Revere Beach, including the masonry, bridging, and grading, necessary to make a new bridge at Revere Street and Oak Island Street, wide enough to allow the Boston and Maine Railroad to lay two tracks on the location,

for the sum of $33,944.00

We will do the grading, road-bed, track-work, and station-work necessary to move the Boston and Maine Railroad to the proposed new location along Revere Beach,

for the sum of $37,290.00

Total cost of moving the two railroads $71,234.00

Land.

The Railroad Company will surrender to the Park Commissioners its present location from Crescent to the Point of Pines, between the points where the proposed location joins the present location, and the station lots at Crescent Beach and Oak Island, without the buildings, reserving the right to remove the same, for the price named at the conclusion of this paragraph.

The estimated amount of land in the above location and station lots is 19½ acres.

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The estimated amount of land for the new location and station lots, is - - - - - [illegible] acres.

The land proposed to be taken by the Park Commissioners, between Beachmont and a point opposite the Boston and Maine location at Crescent Beach in the Railroad's present location, is nearly [illegible], and is estimated, by us upon a conservative basis, as being worth twice as much as the land in the proposed location.

The land in the present location of the Railroad between Crescent Beach and Point of Pines which is proposed to be taken by the Park Commissioners, is estimated by us, upon a conservative basis, to be worth four times as much as the land in the proposed location between those points, notwithstanding the fact that most of it is land taken by the Railroad for Railroad purposes; but, for all such, it must be admitted, that the easement is as good to it as a "deed"; so that we believe, even at a low valuation, the difference between the land to be taken, and the land to be given by the Park Commissioners, is above One Hundred Thousand Dollars.

If it should be said by any one representing the Park Commissioners that the Railroad was to have a new road-bed and one entirely new track which for its purposes might be better than its present, we desire to reply that no Railroad in New England has, for nearly the entire distance in our present location, a better road-bed than it, rock-ballasted, and with perfect drainage; and, further, that every person of experience knows that extra ordinary repairs are always attendant upon a

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own tracks and road bed, for the first year or two, more expensively upon that portion which is to be built on the "made" ground and which must necessarily be subject to the instability of settling and alteration of grade.

If deemed wise by the Commission that we should execute everything for the proposed Boulevard improvement, we will admit a deduction of thirty three (33) per cent which makes the difference to be paid to this Company by the Park Commissioners, on account of Item, as above — — — — — — — — 6666 67

Provided, however, and upon condition in respect to each and all the above proposals; —

First; — That the Park Commissioners furnish us, free of cost, a sand borrow pit, parallel and adjacent to our centre line on the East, between Crescent Beach and Point of Pines, on the proposed location.

Second; — That the Boston and Maine Railroad will furnish us the material and ballast at forty (40) cents per cubic yard, in their cars, delivered on their Road between Crescent Beach and the Point of Pines.

Third; — That the centre lines of location between tracks, and the sand-land-lines, and station grounds, are to be as shown on plan on file in this Railroad Company's office.

The grade of base of rail to be at elevation given as shown on said plans.

Fourth; — The lay out to eliminate grade crossings, and to be as shown on plan above mentioned; and the Park Commissioners are to obtain all rights and releases to this Company, for the same from the Town of Revere, and any and all owners of private lands.

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Fifth;-- The Park Commissioners are to arrange with the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company, the Boston and Revere Electric Street Railway Company, the successors and lessees of each, and to secure to this Company all rights and releases to locate their tracks in the manner shown on said plan; or to get them to move to a new location outside of any present or proposed location of this Company.

Sixth;-- The Park Commissioners are to secure and obtain a right of way, as shown on said plan, and to defend and settle all claims for damages, including grade damages, with promptness, so as not to delay the construction work, or cause a loss to this Railroad.

All the land on the proposed location, as indicated upon said plan, between Beachmont and the Boston and Maine location at Crescent Beach; and also the station lots at Crescent Beach, Revere Street, and Oak Island, as shown on said plan, shall be deeded to this Railroad Company.

The Park Commissioners are to assume all claims for land damages on the present location which may still be unsettled.

Seventh;-- That the New England Company which has an un-expired lease and contract for placing its poles upon the present location, shall be paid the expense of their removal from the present to the proposed location, they doing the work of removal, estimated to cost --- $48.00.

Eighth;-- That this Company shall not be obliged to use its credit in securing funds to pay for material, labor, etc., hereinbefore specified; or for any technical taking of lands or location [illegible] the Park Commissioners; but that the Commissioners shall cause to be placed on dep

with the Treasurer of this Company at and after the commencement of the proposed work $[illegible]
and [illegible]
on the first of each month thereafter until the whole sum is paid, it being contemplated that it will take six months to do the work; and that the difference in value between the land of this Company taken, and the land given, namely, $[illegible]
shall be paid when this Company vacates the proposed new location.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) Charles F. Adams,
President.

The Secretary submitted the following communication from the consulting engineer of the Board, Mr. E. K. Turner, dated January 23rd, 1895

Boston Jan. 23, 1895.

Hon. Philip A. Chase,
Metropolitan Park Commission.
Dear Sir:—

Regarding the proposition in writing of President Adams of the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad, dated January 21st, 1895, enclosed herewith, I will report as follows:—

A price is named for doing the work and furnishing the materials necessary to put the B. R. B. and L. R. R. on the new location, to make the changes in streets avoiding all grade crossings and to move the Boston and Maine R. R. tracks far enough to make room for those of the B. R. B. & L. R. R. $[illegible].94

My estimate of cost of same as given in report of October [illegible], to your Board, is, excluding land and property damages $192,316.57
To which should be added for additional cost

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of bridge at Shirley Street, to provide for station platform, $1,500.00

Cost of new track in excess of estimated cost of moving old ones - - - - - - - - 6,000.

Cost of better class of masonry over that estimated, ———— - - - 7,000.

Making total cost, - - - - - - - $212,806.57

I am quite certain that the work, if properly and prudently managed, can be done for this sum. The location and conditions are exceptionally favorable and good work can be done at reasonable prices.

It will be better for all concerned, if an arrangement can be made for the B. R. B. and L. R. R. Co. to take the work at a fixed price, relieving the Board from all responsibility and, for such relief, of course payment must be made. The Railroad Company, acting as a contractor, should have a reasonable margin of profit. If, therefore, taking this view of the case, ten per cent. be added to the estimated cost, it will bring the amount to - - - - - - - - - - $234,087.23

This sum I would advise paying to the Railroad Company.

Concerning the transfer of land and the consideration claimed by the Railroad Company, it would seem from the figures given, the accuracy of which I have not verified, 19.147 acres from the Railroad Company and 19.73 Acres to the Railroad Company, that so far as the amount is to be considered, the transfer is about even.

For strictly railroad purposes, one tract is as good as the other for tracks, while for stations, the new is superior to the old. As stated by President Adams, the land now used, having

be taken by the Railroad for railroad purposes is as valuable for those purposes as land [illegible] [illegible], but for any other purpose it has little value in that location.

The statement concerning the present road-bed of the railroad, is true, and except so far as [illegible] injury or damage or [illegible] by the [illegible] in heavy storms, [illegible] it is not [illegible]. As far as strengthening repairs, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] road-bed, are concerned, I would [illegible] call attention to the fact that the L. B. & M. R. R. tracks will be, for the greater part of the change, on the old road-bed of the Boston & Maine R. R., while the tracks of the latter are to be on the new road bed. Whatever expenses are caused in this direction will be more than saved by the substitution of an entirely new track for an old one, which is now approaching its limit of usefulness.

The numbered propositions beginning on page 5 of the letter of President Adams I would suggest might be answered as follows:—

First. The Commissioners will furnish land west of the proposed location of the Boston and Maine tracks, between Crescent Beach and Point of Pines from which land, materials can be taken.

Second. The President of the Boston and Maine R. R. has agreed to furnish from 20,000 to 25,000 cubic yards of material for filling and 30,000 cubic yards of ballast at forty cents per cubic yard on cars between Crescent Beach and Point of Pines.

Third. The center line of location and grade lines to be as shown on plans, [illegible] [illegible] grounds to be as agreed upon and

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noted on the plans. The grade of base of rail to be at grade line as shown on said plans.

Fourth. Before making any agreements as to layout of highways, it will be necessary to have the Selectmen of the Town of Revere, or the County Commissioners, take action with relation to lines, grades and bridges, fixing definitely such details.

Fifth. The Park Commissioners should do what is asked for, either by agreement with the Street Railroad Companies and Town authorities, or by having the questions provided for by legislation.

Sixth. The Park Commission should do the things asked for in the first paragraph, so far as land bought or taken by them is concerned.

Wherever the Park Commission obtains land in fee, which is to be included in the location or station grounds of the railroad, it should have the same deeded to the Railroad Company, but if it is necessary to take land, the same shall be taken by the Railroad Company, as provided in Section 5, Chapter 483, Acts of 1894.

Concerning the claims for land damages, noted in the third paragraph, on the present location, I can make no suggestion, as I know nothing of this question.

Seventh. The Telephone Company must be dealt with in accordance with the terms of its contract with the Railroad Company.

Eighth. Arrangements can be made to pay for the work as fast as it is done. It is not usual in such cases to pay the Contractors in advance. It would seem to be better for both the Commission and Railroad

Company, that payments be made early in each month for the work done and material furnished during the preceding month.

In case of difference or increased cost by the technical taking of lands, the Commission should provide for meeting such expense.

Copies of plans referring to in the Third and Fourth Sections, showing the limits, should be forwarded to the Commission, in order that there may be no misunderstanding in these limits.

In answer to your inquiry as to new legislation, I will suggest the following items that it may be necessary to provide for:

Transfer of part of the location of the P. & M. R. R. to the B. R. B. & L. R. R., and acceptance of same by latter Railroad Company.

Right of Commission to acquire lands needed to complete locations and for station purposes.

Provision for release of Mortgages by both Railroad Companies from lands given up by them.

Right to change lines and grades of highways and the tracks of Street Railroads.

Very respectfully,
(Signed) E. A. Ernst,
Consulting Engineer.

On motion of Mr. C. H. Chase the Secretary was directed to prepare, in consultation with the Law Department, the necessary bills for presentation to the Legislature.

Cutting of Trees &c. French, B. & T.

The Secretary submitted a communication from Mr. A. Lawrence Rotch, dated January 16, relating to the Blue Hill Observatory, and from Messrs. French, Bryant and Taylor, dated January 19, and from the General Superintendent, dated

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[illegible] relating to the cutting of certain [illegible] the Middlesex Fells Reservation. The action of the General Superintendent was upheld by the Board.

Adjourned at 4.30 P.M.

A. S. Carruth [illegible]

79th
Jan. 31, 1895.

Report of the seventy-ninth (79th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, January 31st, 1895.

Present, Messrs P. A. Chase, Casas Richards and [illegible].

On motion of Mr. Casas Mr. P. A. Chase was elected temporary Chairman.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary submitted number of men employed.

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows;—

Beaver Brook Reservation.

Superintendent, 4 Laborers.

Blue Hills Reservation.

7 Foremen, 144 Laborers.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

5 Foremen 56 Laborers.

Boulevard Department,

1 Foreman, 27 Laborers.

Stony Brook Reservation,

3 Foremen, 30 Laborers.

Settlements of [illegible] Secretary.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land;

J. Edward Eichler

J. Edward Eichler, 7160 feet in the West Roxbury Parkway $600. Damage to 5,000 feet remaining land $200. Total, $800. On motion

of Mr. H. L. Chase the above settlement was approved and ordered paid.

1 Mary E. Blakeman, [illegible] feet of land on Washington Street in the Stony Brook Reservation for four cents per foot. On motion of Mr. H. L. Chase the Secretary was authorized to settle the above claim for a sum not exceeding 4/ [illegible].

2 George E. Black and William J. Mitchell 35,200 square feet of land on [illegible] Street for 1¾ cents per square foot. On motion of Mr. H. L. Chase the matter was referred to him to report at a later meeting.

3 The Secretary submitted the following communication.

To the Honorable Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners: –

Dear Sirs; – You are hereby respectfully requested to forthwith estimate and determine all damages sustained by me, by the taking of land belonging to me, situated in the Town of [illegible] and Malden, under Chapter 407 of the Acts of the year 1893.

Yours respectfully
(Signed) [illegible] [illegible].

The Secretary was instructed to notify [illegible] [illegible] that the Board will determine damages as asked for.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Ordered: – That the settlement of [illegible] the [illegible] land be referred to Mr. [illegible] with full power. Passed.

On motion of Mr. [illegible] the Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Cassidy informing him that the Board has under consideration the taking of certain lands on the [illegible] River and would be glad to have him present at

[illegible] meeting of the Board.

1 The Secretary submitted a letter from [illegible] Mc[illegible] declining the offer of the Board of $[illegible] per acre for the land taken from him in the Blue Hills Reservation.

C. [illegible]

2 The Committee on the Roxbury Grammar School land on the West Roxbury Parkway reported that they had been unable to agree with the Trustees upon any price and that they could see no possible ground of negotiation as the said Trustees refused to consider any price that was within several thousand dollars of what the Board has determined to be its outside price. The report of the Committee was accepted.

C. Roxbury Grammar School.

[illegible]
Law Department

3 The Law Department submitted the drafts of two petitions and two bills covering matters connected with the Revere Beach and sundry powers and privileges which it is the opinion of the Law Department that this Board should have given them by the Legislature. On motion of Mr. Richards the matters were referred to the Law Committee of the Board.

C. [illegible], Bills to Legis.

4 Mr. Eliot, for the Landscape Architects, submitted a proposed change in the specifications for the topographical survey to be submitted to the Law Department.

C. Surveys.

Secretary to consult the Counsel in reference to the [illegible] taken from the Roxbury Grammar School.

5 The Secretary was instructed to consult the Counsel of the Board in reference to the land taken from the Roxbury Grammar School in the West Roxbury Parkway and to obtain from them an opinion in relation to the matter.

C. Roxbury Grammar School

[illegible] from Mr. [illegible] A. Hodges, [illegible]

6 The Secretary submitted a petition from Mr. [illegible] A. Hodges, Mayor of Quincy, asking that the Board take, lay out and maintain

C. Randolph [illegible]
C. Forest St.

Randolph avenue and Forest Street on the Blue Hills Reservation. The Secretary was instructed to furnish the Law Department to prepare the necessary papers of taking of said [illegible].

Adjourned at 4.45 P.M.

H. S. Carruth Secretary

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Feb. 8, 1895.

Report of the eightieth (80th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 11, 12 and 13 Ames Building, Boston, Friday February 8th 1895.

Present: The Chairman, Messrs. [illegible] and B. [illegible].

The records of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements for land made by the Land Agent:

1 Geo. A. Brown, four parcels of land aggregating 1.27 acres at Stoneham in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, for $200. per acre; Charles J. Tottle, three parcels of land in the above town and reservation, aggregating 2.76 acres, for $350.

On motion of Mr. Bruce the above two settlements were approved and ordered paid.

2 The Secretary submitted a communication from Francis H. Brown relating to a settlement of land taken from him in the town of Stoneham in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, and on motion of Mr. Curtis the Secretary was instructed to ask Mr. Brown for a more definite proposition.

3 The Secretary also submitted a communication from Mr. Brown offering a settlement of the land taken from his mother, Elizabeth H. Brown, being about 3.25 acres for the sum of $1250.

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on motion of Mr. Lucas, the proposition was accepted and ordered paid.

1 [illegible] C. Black C. Mitchell

Mr. H. C. Chase [illegible] was submitted a settlement made by the Secretary with George E. Black and William F. Mitchell, being [illegible] feet in the West Roxbury [illegible], at [illegible] per foot, [illegible]. The Secretary was instructed to accept the proposition.

Also a settlement with Mrs. S. [illegible] 2 C. Mitchell, C. Black, C. Merrill, C. Blakemore

Mr. H. C. Chase also reported on the settlement made by the Secretary with [illegible] George E. Black, Edmund F. Merrill, and William S. Blakemore on 4,575 square feet in the West Roxbury District for [illegible] per foot, that the same be declined and the Secretary is authorized to settle at a sum not exceeding [illegible] per foot. The report was accepted and the recommendations adopted.

3 Proposition from attorney for Weeks. C. Weeks.

Mr. Lucas submitted the following proposition, signed by A. C. Stevens, Attorney for Ames Weeks, with the statement that, acting under the instructions of the Board at a previous meeting, he had accepted the same and recommended its approval by the Board.

Boston, February 1st, 1895.

H. C. [illegible] Chase, Esq.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Weeks authorizes me to make the following proposition, for all damages to property taken along Ward Street, the title to which stands in the name of Mr. Weeks, and not including land for which settlement has been previously made.

1. Mr. Weeks shall receive thirty-two thousand, eight hundred and sixty dollars ($32,860.), which, for the purposes of settlement, may be divided, if you please as follows:—

land, about twenty-seven (27) acres.	14310.
buildings	15900.
spring,	2600
	32,810

She shall have the right to remove the henner[illegible] and machine shop, and shall have the engines, boilers, all machinery and shafting, and the bell. She shall have the privilege of continuing, by herself, or her present licensee, to take water substantially as at present from the spring on the Holden lot, so-called, for one year from the date of this settlement.

Mr. Cuss shall be allowed to remove the barn, which is his property.

2. Mr. Weeks agrees that Mrs. Weeks shall join with the Commission in abandoning her land, taken on the easterly side of Pond Street, and not previously settled for, without claim for damages, principal or interest, provided the Commission shall elect to so abandon, on or before July 1st, 1895, and furthermore provided that the abandonment shall be effected in such a manner as shall leave her as good a title as she had at the time of the taking, and furthermore, that she shall be saved harmless from all taxes levied or attempted to be levied on said property, from the time of said taking to the time of said taking to the time of said abandonment.

If the Commission shall elect not to abandon the land of Mrs. Weeks, on the easterly side of Pond Street, she will accept nineteen thousand dollars, ($19,000.), in full compensation for damages, on account of the taking of said land, at any time on or before July 1st 1895, and if the proposed line of the [illegible] shall be changed, so that it shall [illegible] [illegible]

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a meadow about an acre of upland, and part of adjoining punch-bowl, so called, in the south-easterly portion of the said land, between the continuation of Glen Street, and land of Grundy and Russell, she will deduct from the said price of nineteen thousand dollars, ($19,000), at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars, ($1500) per acre, for said acre or thereabouts of upland, no deduction to be made by her on account of said punch-bowl; provided as good a title as aforesaid shall be given to her thereto.

3. If this offer is accepted it is a condition that it shall be forthwith carried into effect, and if not accepted shall be without prejudice to any legal rights of Mrs. Weeks.

Yours truly
(Signed) H. B. Stevens.

On motion of Mr. Richards the proposition as reported by Mr. Casas was approved and ordered paid.

Report of ... 1

C. McGeough

The Secretary submitted a report from Mr. E. J. Rich, Claim Agent, relating to the claim of Cathew McGeough for land taken from him in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, and the award of this Board thereon. The report was referred back to the Secretary with instructions to consult the Counsel of the Commission in relation thereto and report at the next meeting.

The Secretary submitted a proposition for the settlement of 9.64 acres of land in Melrose in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, for the sum of $... per acre. On motion of Mr. Casas, the proposition was declined.

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C. Albert E. Hentz

The Secretary submitted a proposition ... statement of Albert E. Hentz for 12,000 square feet of land in the West Roxbury Parkway on

20th Feb. 2. 1905 con.— [illegible] Hill, [illegible] 100 [illegible], with the recommendation that the same be declined. On motion of Mr. H. L. Chase the offer was declined.

1 C. [illegible] The Secretary [illegible] the [illegible], the offer was declined.

[illegible] The Secretary submitted a communication [illegible]

2 C. Stearns the Law Department, relating to the claim of a right of way on the Devil's [illegible] Reservation of the heirs of Horace Stearns. Communication was referred back to the Secretary with instructions to report more definitely upon the same at a future meeting.

Report on condition of settlements The Secretary submitted a report, together with

3 C. Claims [illegible] the report of the [illegible] dated [illegible], upon the condition of the settlements in the [illegible] Reservation. The report was accepted and ordered placed on file.

[illegible] Frank E. Chandler The Secretary submitted a report on the

4 F. Chandler claim of Frank E. Chandler on account of the taking of [illegible] acres of land from him in the town of [illegible], in the [illegible] Reservation; recommending that he be authorized to settle with said Chandler for a sum not to exceed 35,000. The report was accepted and ordered placed on file, and, on motion of Mr. [illegible], the following order was passed:

Secretary to settle with Frank Chandler for 35,000. Ordered:— That the Secretary be authorized to settle with Mr. Frank E. Chandler for the land taken from him in the [illegible] [illegible] in the town of [illegible] consisting of [illegible] acres, more or less, together with all his claims for damages on account of said taking, for a sum not to exceed [illegible]

C. Cassidy,
C. B.R.R.
C. Takings C.R.R.

1 A hearing was given to Mr. [illegible] C. Cassidy, relating to the proposed taking of land belonging to him in Brighton and Newton, on the banks of the Charles River.

C. Floyd.

Mr. [illegible] reported the settlement by
2 him of the claim of Edward E. Floyd in the Blue Hills Reservation for the sum of $4,000. and the Secretary was instructed to carry out the said settlement.

C. Riley.

3 On motion of Mr. Richards the matter of the land claim of Ann Riley in the Middlesex Fells Reservation was referred to Mr. Lucas.

[illegible] missioners of [illegible]
C. B.H.R.
C. Takings B.H.R.

The Secretary submitted a communication
4 from the Park Commissioners of the town of Milton, requesting this Board to condemn for park purposes so much of land in said town of Milton as lies between Randolph Avenue and the Old Road, so called, at the entrance of the [illegible] Park, in the Blue Hills Reservation. The Secretary was instructed to report at a future meeting upon the probable cost of the proposed land condemnation.

C. Water Reservations

5 The Secretary submitted a full proposition, by the joint Water Boards, for the transfer of the care and control of the land under their charge and ownership in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, to this Board, and on motion of Mr. Lucas, the Secretary was instructed to have the necessary papers prepared.

C. Discharges
Blue Hills

6 On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase the following order was passed:—

Ordered; — That the Secretary be instructed to discharge from the service of the Commission James Galvin, a patrolman in the Stony Brook Reservation, to take effect two

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works from the date.

[illegible] The Secretary submitted a communication from
1 Charles E. Eliot, Surveyor, relating to the Mystic
c. [illegible] Park. park, and the notes of Mr. [illegible] Barnes in relation to certain entrances and other matters connected therewith. The Secretary was instructed to submit the same to the Landscape Architects for their report.

Adjourned at [illegible] P.M.

H. S. Carruth, Secretary

81st
Feb. 14, 1895. Report of the eighty-first (81st) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Thursday, February 14th at 1.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs. [illegible], Richards and [illegible] Chase.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Communication – F. E. Chandler
2 The Secretary submitted a special communication from Mr. Frank E. Chandler offering a
c. Chandler settlement of his claim against the Commission as follows:

Boston, Mass. Feb. 14th 1895,

Edgar J. Rich,
Atty. at Law,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir;

I do not regard it as a proper way to conduct business, to make so many different offers, but as you have declined to present the one before the Park Commissioners that I handed to you this morning, and to convince you of my desire to effect a fair settlement

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I now submit to you my last and final proposition.

I will accept thirty-seven thousand five hundred ($37,500.) in full satisfaction for all claims which I have against the commonwealth for property taken by the Metropolitan Park Commission, with the privilege of cutting the grass on the property for the period of three years, and the use of the house, stable and barn during that time, provided such use of the place by me does not in any way interfere with the plans of the Commission in developing the property.

I will discount twenty-five hundred dollars ($2500.) from the above figures, provided I can have the privilege of employment by the Metropolitan Park Commission for two two-horse teams and two men for a period of two years, the pay for the men and teams to be at a given rate for such labor, it being understood that said men and teams are to the satisfaction of the Supt.

This request in regard to men and teams is in no way binding, and its fulfillment I leave entirely to the discretion of the Commission, and I agree still further, that in case said teams are not employed, that I will not in any way speak to any one of the Commissioners in relation to it, but should expect you to issue an order to the Supt. that the teams and men were to have preference so far forth as practicable.

Yours very truly
(Signed) Frank E. Chandler.

The Secretary was instructed to accept the proposition of $35,000. with certain provisions as

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stated above and to still further provide that the Board may relieve itself at any time of the provision for the employment of "certain men from Chandler" by the payment of the pro rata part of the $2500. for any unexpired portion of the two years. Further to distinctly provide that "the Commission shall have the right at all times to control Mr. Chandler's occupancy of the premises and to provide expressly that no animals other than horses shall be maintained upon said property.

Settlements of land submitted by the Secretary.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land:—

William G. Dunn 1

William G. Dunn, 7000 feet in the West Roxbury Parkway, 9 cents per square foot. On motion of Mr. H. L. Chase the above settlement was approved and ordered paid.

Stephen F. Creed, 2

Stephen F. Creed, 43,560 square feet of land on Washington Street in the Stony Brook Reservation, $2,000. On motion of Mr. H. L. Chase the above settlement was approved and ordered paid.

3 On motion of Mr. Lucas the Secretary was authorized to settle with the [illegible] heirs for lots 107 109, 110, and 111 in the West Roxbury Parkway, containing 224,080 square feet for $18,000.

Communication from Francis H. Bacon.

4 A communication was received from Mr. Francis H. Bacon adhering to his former position in relation to his land in the Middlesex Fells Reservation in the town of Winchester, and on motion of Mr. Lucas the proposition of Mr. Bacon was declined.

Settlements made by Claims Agent

The Secretary submitted the following settle-

5 ment made by the Claim Agent of the land belonging to Francis Chisholm in the Middlesex Fells Reservation in Winchester, [illegible] with right of way on Boundary Road $3000. On

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motion of Mr. Lucas the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

The Secretary submitted the following propositions of settlement from the Claim Agent.

C. J. B. Judkins — 1 J. B. Judkins, about 10,000. feet of land in the rear of certain building lots of said Judkins on Highland Avenue in the Middlesex Fells Reservation in the town of Winchester, $800., also, the

c. Brennan. — authority to settle with John M. Brennan for $200. an acre. On motion of Mr. Lucas the above two propositions were declined.

2 Mr. Rich also submitted a communication suggesting a settlement for the land of C. O.

C. C. O. Blomeith. — Blomeith, in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, for $1,500. On motion of Mr. Lucas the Secretary was instructed to settle at the above price.

3 In the matter of the land of Mrs. Sarah

C. [illegible] Atkinson — Atkinson the Claim Agent reported in favor of authorizing him to settle for 5.34 acres of land, house, barn and outhouse for $3,500. with privilege of remaining in the house, free of rent, for one or two years. On motion of Mr. Lucas the matter was laid on the table.

4 The following propositions for settlements of lands on Bellevue Hill, in the West Roxbury Parkway

C. Adams
C. Green
C. Pycott
C. Hanson.

were submitted by the Secretary with the recommendation that the propositions be declined.

Harriet L. Adams [illegible] Allan S. Green, John W. Pycott and Charles A. Hanson.

Harriet L. Adams and others, Allan S. Green, John W. Pycott and Charles A. Hanson. On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase the above propositions were declined.

[illegible] The Secretary submitted two communications

5 from the [illegible] Department relating to the change

c. Surveys. — in the specifications for the topographical surveys and was instructed to have the Law Department submit the proper papers for making the changes suggested by the Landscape Architects

[illegible] communication [illegible] was received from the

1 Landscape Architects reporting upon certain [illegible]

c. Entrance of [illegible] Wks. — sitions of Mr. Peter C. Brooks' relating to the

entering private streets into the public Parkway

which was read and the Secretary was instructed

to refer the communication back to the Landscape

Architects with instructions to submit to the Board

a draft of such restrictions as in their judgment

should be imposed in this and similar cases.

Secretary to communicate with — The Secretary was authorized to state to

2 Mr. A. Lawrence Rotch that this Board saw no

c. Blue Hill Obs. Obs. — objection to his insuring the Observatory on Blue

Hill in the name of the Commonwealth and

that in the event of loss by fire of the

whole or in part that this Board would petition

the Legislature to cause the money derived

from said insurance to be paid to Harvard

College for the purpose of rebuilding or repairing

said Observatory.

Secretary to secure sixty day [illegible] Beach. — On motion of Mr. Casas the Secretary was

authorized to secure sixty day options at [illegible]

c. R.B.R. 3 Beach, on properties proposed to be taken by

c. Claims R.B.R. Option — the Board, with reasonable penalties.

During the session of the Board the

Chairman being obliged to leave on account of

other business the Chair was occupied for a

portion of the meeting by Mr. Casas and during

the remainder of the meeting by Mr. Richards.

Adjourned at 5.30 P.M.

[signature] Secy.

82nd — Feb. 21, 1895. — Report of the eighty-second (82nd) meeting

of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices

of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames

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Feb. 21, 1895,
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Thursday, February 21st, at 1.30 P. M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs Casas, Richards and W. L. Chase.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary submitted number of [illegible]

The Secretary submitted the number of new employed, as follows:--

Beaver Brook Reservation,
1 Superintendent, 2 Laborers.
Blue Hills Reservation,
7 Foremen, 141 Laborers.
Middlesex Fells Reservation,
4 Foremen, 80 Laborers,
Stony Brook Reservation,
3 Foremen, 37 Laborers.

Settlement with E. N. Pierce. 1
S. Pierce

The Secretary submitted the settlement with Mr. E. N. Pierce of Waltham for one acre of land taken from him in the Beaver Brook Reservation for the sum of $1000. On motion of Mr. Richards the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

Communication from Law Department

The Secretary submitted a communication from
2 the Law Department recommending an award of $1000. per acre for the land taken from Arthur N. McGeough in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. On motion of Mr. Casas the following order was passed:--

S. McGeough.

Award made to Arthur N. McG.

Ordered:-- That there be awarded to Arthur N. McGeough the sum of $3520. for the land taken from him by the Commonwealth through this Commission February 2, 1894, in the town of Stoneham in the Middlesex Fells Reservation.

Communication from Frank E. Chandler.

The Secretary submitted a communication
3 from Mr. Frank E. Chandler asking permission to remove the piggery buildings and hen

S. Chandler.

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houses located on land taken from said Chandler in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. On motion of Mr. Casas the Secretary was directed to inform Mr. Chandler that he might remove said buildings, Provided the same is done and the land cleaned up about them on or before the 1st of June next.

Agreements between this Commission and George W. Morse

1 The Secretary submitted drafts of agreements between this Commission and George W. Morse which were accepted and referred to the Secretary with full powers.

c. Morse

c. Dwellings, Supts.

2 On motion of Mr. H. L. Chase the following order was passed:--

Superintendents

Ordered:-- That each of the resident Superintendents, not furnished with house, excepting Superintendent Elder of the Beaver Brook Reservation, be allowed seven days pay for each week on the pay rolls.

Communication from Albion A. Perry and others

3 The Secretary submitted a communication signed by Albion A. Perry, George A. Bruce and Elmer H. Capen relating to the question of the construction of a Parkway in the city of Somerville. On motion of Mr. Casas the communication and the plan which accompanied the same were referred to the Chair with full powers.

c. Parkways.

Communication from General Superintendent

4 The Secretary submitted a communication from the General Superintendent relating to safeguards and appliances for use in case of fire in the various Reservations, which was accepted and ordered placed on file. On motion of the Chair the Secretary was directed to report to this Board what in his judgment was necessary at the present time in the way of appliances to prevent fire.

c. Fire Protection

5 The Secretary submitted a communication

from the Law Department enclosing drafts of indenture changing the terms of the contract recently made with Messrs French, Bryant and Taylor for the topographical survey of the Reservations. On motion of Mr. W. L. Chase the Secretary was directed to submit the aforesaid communication and documents to the Landscape Architects for their report.

Communication from the Landscape Architects
1
c. Entrances of Streets

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Landscape Architects, dated February 20th, making suggestions relating to the entrance of streets into the boundary roads of the Reservations and Parkways. On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was directed to refer the communication to the Law Department, with instructions to prepare and submit a code of rules based on the suggestions therein contained.

Communication from [illegible] Superintendent
2
c. Horses.

The Secretary submitted a communication from the General Superintendent recommending the purchase of four horses in each of the two larger Reservations. On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was instructed to notify the General Superintendent that in the judgment of the Board the proposed purchase was not at this time advisable.

Secretary to arrange for a hearing on proposed boulevards
3
c. Parkways.

The Secretary was directed to arrange for a hearing on each of the proposed boulevards, to be held at some suitable place in the town or city in which said boulevards are located and to give notice of the same by publication and further to invite the city or town governments to attend said hearing.

Secretary to call attention of Middlesex [illegible]
4
c. Main St. Stoneham

The Secretary was instructed to call the attention of the Middlesex County Commissioners to the condition of Main Street in Stoneham in the Middlesex Fells Reservation

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and to its need of repair.

Adjourned at 5.45 P.M.

W. B. de las Casas Secretary

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Report of the eighty-third (83rd) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Friday, March 1st, 1895, at 1.30 P.M.

Present The Chairman, Messrs Casas and Richards.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary submitted number of foremen employed.

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows:

Beaver Brook Reservation.

1 Superintendent, 3 Labourers.

Blue Hills Reservation.

7 Foremen, 142 Labourers.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

4 Foremen, 81 Labourers.

Stony Brook Reservation.

3 Foremen, 37 Labourers.

Settlements submitted by Secretary.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land:

E.P. Morrill et als. 1 c. Morrill c. Black c. Mitchell c. Blakemore

E. P. Morrill, V. B. Blakemore, H. S. Mitchell and George E. Black two parcels of land in the West Roxbury Parkway containing respectively 40,210 and 465 square feet, being lots 92 and 97, for 22½ cents per square foot and $800. allowance for sewer assessments, etc.

Allan S. Green 2

Allan S. Green, 13,640 square feet on Bellevue Hill in the West Roxbury Parkway, being lot 66, for 10 cents per foot.

c. Albert Ludlam. 3

Albert Ludlam, 8,000 feet on Bellevue Hill in the West Roxbury Parkway, being lot 61, at 7

[illegible] per square foot.

Herbert J. Butler 1 — C. Butler

Herbert J. Butler, 8,000. feet on Bellevue Hill in the West Roxbury Parkway, being lot 45, for $700.

On motion of Mr. Casas the above four settlements were approved and ordered paid.

2 — Artemus & Augustus — C. [illegible]

The Secretary submitted the settlement made by the Claim Agent of 12.06 acres belonging to Artemus and Augustus Barrett in Melrose in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for $700. an acre for such portion of the land as the Commission may finally decide to retain. On motion of Mr. Casas the Secretary was instructed to accept the proposition of the Messrs Barrett subject to the abandonment of such portion as the Board may elect.

3 — Dr. K. P. Makechnie — C. Noble

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Claim Agent recommending that he be given authority to settle the claim of Dr. K. P. Makechnie for 9.87 acres of woodland near Spot Pond in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for $350. an acre and about 8.75 acres belonging to the Heirs of Joseph W. Noble, next adjoining the land of Makechnie, for $300. an acre. On motion of Mr. Casas the Secretary was instructed to notify the Claim Agent that in the judgment of the Board the prices named are in excess of value and therefore declined.

4 — Communication from Claim Agent — C. Baldwin

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Claim Agent recommending that he be given authority to settle 101,750 square feet of land in the Middlesex Fells Reservation in Melrose belonging to Charles D. Baldwin for the sum of $200. per acre and that he be further authorized to settle for about 1/2 an acre belonging to the said Baldwin, also in Melrose, for a sum not exceeding $5[illegible]. On motion of Mr. Casas the Secretary was instructed to notify the Claim Agent that he is authorized to settle the first men-

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-tioned parcel for a sum not exceeding $200. per acre and the 1/2 acre parcel for a sum not exceeding $300.

From George B. Upham [illegible]

1 The Secretary submitted two communications, dated February 25th from George B. Upham, Attorney for Francis H. Bacon and Mr. William P. Greeley, requesting that the Board estimate and determine the damages sustained by the said Bacon and Greeley on account of the taking of their lands in Winchester in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. The communications were read and ordered placed on file and the Secretary was directed to report a sum which in his judgment should be awarded by this Board in full for all claims on account of said takings.

c. Bacon
c. Greeley

Letter from E.A. Brackett.

2 The Chairman submitted a letter from E. A. Brackett, a member of the Department of Fish and Game, dated February 27th, 1895, stating that Legislature had made an appropriation for the purchase, propagation and distribution of Mongolian English and Golden Pheasants and that it was desired to place these birds in the Metropolitan Reservations and asking if this Commission desired to co-operate in the work outlined above. The letter was referred to the Secretary with instructions to prepare a letter addressed to Mr. Brackett for the Chairman to sign.

c. Pheasants.

[illegible]

3 The Secretary submitted a report relating to the apparatus necessary at the present time for extinguishing forest fires. The report was accepted and ordered placed on file and the Secretary was directed to report on the expense necessary to carry out the recommendations contained therein.

c. Fire apparatus.

4 On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Action of Chairman in approving bills of T.R. Howard approved.

Ordered:-- That the action of the Chairman in approving two bills of Thomas R. Howard for $687.42 and $232.60, respectively, for the use of a steam drill in the Middlesex Fells

c. Drill.

Reservation is approved.

Law Department. 1 A communication was submitted from the Law Department relating to the notice required to be given in various cases of taking by eminent domain, as bearing upon the petition to the Legislature, house document number 362. Ordered placed on file.

C. Takings.

Secretary submitted list of options at Revere Beach. 2 The Secretary submitted a list of options which can be secured at Revere Beach with the recommendation that said agreements be not entered into as the period of sixty days would apparently not be of sufficient length to be of value to the Commission. Assigned to next meeting.

C. R.B.R.

Hearing given Messrs Morse, Gleason & Critchett 3 A hearing was given to Messrs Morse, Gleason and Critchett in relation to their bill for services in appraising lands on the Charles River at which it was determined that the above named gentlemen should submit a proposal of settlement.

C. Morse, Gleason & Critchett.

Adjourned at 4.10 P.M.

A. S. Garrett Secretary.

84th

Mar. 7, 1895.

Report of the eighty-fourth (84th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, March 7th, 1895, at [illegible] P.M.

Present the Chairman, Messrs [illegible] & [illegible].

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary submitted number of men employed. 1 The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows:--

Beaver Brook Reservation--

1 Superintendent, 2 Laborers.

Blue Hills Reservation

1 Foreman, [illegible] Laborers.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

1 [illegible] settlement of land in the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Secretary was authorized to settle [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

The Secretary [illegible] the following [illegible] for settlement for lands in the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]:

2 Theodore H. Tyndale, 43,189 square feet, $4000., being [illegible]

3 [illegible] 11 and 12.

4 [illegible], lot 6.

5 William C. Patterson, 8,260 feet $743.40, lot 19.

6 Louis C. Margot, 5,060 feet, $1200.

On motion of Mr. [illegible] the above settlements were approved and ordered [illegible].

7 On motion of Mr. [illegible] the Secretary was authorized to settle with Mr. William [illegible] in the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] standing in the name of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], with the right to take any additional land adjoining that already taken at the same [illegible].

8 On motion of Mr. [illegible] the Secretary was authorized to settle with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] square feet of land in the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

9 The Secretary was [illegible] to prepare a contract and specifications for the construction [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Mr. [illegible] in Winchester, in consultation with Mr. [illegible]

On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was directed to prepare an act of taking for the completion of the Middlesex Fells Reservation between Forest Street and Winchester.

c. Taking 1

Mr. Richards reported that he had had a consultation with Messrs Morse, Gleason and Critchett

2 and submitted a compromise sum of $2300. in place of $4577. as originally claimed by said Morse, Gleason and Critchett. The Secretary was directed to have a suitable bill prepared and forwarded to the State House for the amount of $2300.

c. Morse, Gleason & Critchett

Mr. Richards moved that when the Board adjourn it be to meet on Friday, March 15th.

3 The Secretary submitted a letter from John McKenna of Hyde Park complaining on account of his discharge from the Blue Hills Reservation. On motion of Mr. Casas the action of the General Superintendent was sustained and the Secretary was directed to reply to said McKenna notifying him of the action of the Board.

c. McKenna

Hearing given Winthrop Park Board

A hearing was given to the Winthrop

4 Park Board in relation to the bill now before the Legislature calling for an additional appropriation of the sum of $150,000. for the extension of the Revere Beach Reservation along the water front of the town of Winthrop. After a general conversation, with no definite conclusion, the hearing was closed.

c. W.P.

Adjourned at 3.30 P.M.

[illegible] Secretary.

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Report of the eighty-fifth (85th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112, and

[illegible] Mar. 15, 1895 [illegible]

[illegible] Building, Boston, Friday, March 15th, 1895 at 12 M.

Present the Chairman, Messrs. [illegible] & [illegible].

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

[illegible] The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows:—

[illegible] Reservation

1 Superintendent, 2 Laborers.

Blue Hills Reservation.

7 Foremen, 141 Laborers.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

1 Foreman, 9 Laborers.

Stony Brook Reservation

3 Foremen, 34 Laborers.

1 [illegible] The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land in the [illegible] Parkway:

2 [illegible] C. [illegible], [illegible] square feet of land, $311.50

3 [illegible] " " " " [illegible]

4 [illegible] C. [illegible] 11,623 " " " " [illegible].87

5 [illegible] F. [illegible] [illegible] " " " " [illegible].88

6 John J. [illegible] [illegible] " " " " [illegible]

7 Michael [illegible], 5,000 " " " " [illegible]

On motion of Mr. Chase the above settlements were approved and ordered paid.

[illegible] On motion of Mr. [illegible] the Secretary was

8 authorized to settle with A. [illegible], [illegible], for 100,[illegible] square feet of land, with [illegible], in the [illegible] Parkway, for $[illegible].

9 The Secretary submitted a [illegible] from

[illegible] George C. [illegible] for the settlement of 39,[illegible] square feet of land on [illegible] Avenue [illegible] Street in the [illegible] Parkway, together with house and stable, for the sum of $750. On recommendation of the Secretary he was instructed to refer the same to [illegible].

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1 The Secretary submitted a communication from the Claim Agent, dated March 15th, recommending the settlement of the claim of John H. [illegible] in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for 4 1/2 acres of land for the sum of $600. On motion of Mr. Casas the Secretary was authorized to settle the above claim for the sum of $500.

[illegible] Claim agent reporting upon sum to be awarded to [illegible]

2 C. Bacon.

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Claim Agent reporting upon a sum to be awarded to Francis H. Bacon for land taken from him in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, recommending that $300. an acre be paid for the 15 acres nearest the village of Winchester, and $100. an acre be paid for the 35 acres in the rear. The communication of Mr. [illegible] was accepted and ordered placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Casas the following order was passed:--

Francis H Bacon award —

Ordered:-- That there be awarded as full compensation to Francis H Bacon of Winchester, for all claims arising out of the taking by this Board of 50 acres of land, more or less, in the town of Winchester in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, the sum of $8000. as follows:-

For the 5 acres nearest Highland Ave.,	$500. per acre.	2500.
" " 10 " immediately in the rear,	200. " "	2000.
" " balance, 35 acres,	100. " "	3500.
Total		8000.

Secretary reported upon land of Ann Riley.

3 O. Riley.

The Secretary reported upon the settlement of the land of Ann Riley, in Medford in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, that he had been unable to secure any option on additional land to be taken by this Commission adjoining that already taken, and, on motion of Mr. Casas, the Secretary was

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authorized to settle the claim of said Riley for land already taken for a sum not to exceed 400. per acre.

Communication from Claim Agent relative to claim of H. P. Greeley. 1 C. Greeley

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Claim Agent, dated March 14th, relative to the claim of H. P. Greeley for about 16 acres of land taken from him in the Town of Winchester in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. Ordered Placed on file.

Communication from J. R. Leeson 2 C. Hazelwood.

The Secretary submitted a communication from Mr. J. R. Leeson relative to the claim of Mr Hazelwood in the West Roxbury Parkway. The communication was ordered placed on file.

Report of Secretary on fire apparatus 3. C. Fire Apparatus

The Secretary submitted a report on the estimated cost of the necessary appliances for the prevention and extinguishing of fires in the various Reservations, aggregating $584.50 and, on motion of Mr. Richardson, the Secretary was instructed to provide said apparatus at a sum not exceeding the amount stated.

Communication from Charles D. Elliot 4. C. M.V.P.

A communication was received from Charles D. Elliott, Engineer, in relation to the desires of the Messrs Brooks concerning the boundary line of the Mystic Valley Parkway, and enclosing a sketch showing the preferences of Mr. Francis Brooks. On motion of Mr. Lucas the matter was referred to the Landscape Architects with instructions to report at the next meeting.

5 C. Entrance

The Secretary submitted two communications from Mr. A. C. Allen Chamberlain relating to an additional entrance to the Middlesex Fells Reservation from Highland Avenue in Winchester, which communications were, on motion of Mr. Lucas, referred to the Landscape Architects

with instructions to report.

The Secretary submitted the request of
1 the General Superintendent for instructions
C. Fences, B.F. in relation to the removing of wire fences
in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. On
motion of Mr. Casas the Secretary was
directed to instruct him to remove all
wire fences within the limits of the Middlesex
Fells Reservation with the exception of the
fence surrounding the deer park on land
taken from Mr. Dutton in Malden.

The Secretary submitted a statement of
2 the amount of money drawn on account of
C. Finance, Secy. the various loans, etc., which was accepted
and ordered placed on file.

The Secretary also submitted a memoran-
3 dum showing the proportionment of expense
C. Finance, Secy. on account of the Metropolitan Parks Loan,
authorized by Chapter 407 of the Acts of 1893
and also of the Boulevard Loan, authorized
by Chapter 288 of the Acts of 1894. On
motion of Mr. Richards the report was
ordered printed for the use of the Commission.

4 On motion of Mr. Casas the following
C. Takings, B.H.P. Taking of the Blue Hills Parkway was
Taking 7-21. passed:

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners.
March 15, 1895.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to authorize construction of roadways and boulevards," being chapter two hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of the

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year 1894, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, being the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Milton, have taken, and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying in the Town of Milton, in the County of Norfolk, and shown on plan marked "Metropolitan Park Commission, Taking Plan of Blue Hills Parkway, scale 100 feet to an inch, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, Boston, Jan. 29, 1895, F. A. Foster, C. E.", being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 21, the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows, viz:- Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the centre line or thread of Neponset River with the Easterly side line of said Parkway, as shown upon said plan (said Easterly side line running North 48' East from a stone bound set in the right bank of said river); thence running South 48' West, by a straight line Six hundred eighty-two and thirty-five hundredths (682.35) feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty feet, Thirty-three and nineteen hundredths (33.19) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of Eliot Street; thence running a little West of South, across said Eliot Street Forty and sixty-three hundredths (40.63) feet to a stake standing in the Southerly side line of said Eliot Street; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty-nine and sixty-four hundredths (29.64) feet to a stake; thence continuing

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in the course first described, nearly South, by a straight line Eight hundred and fifteen and forty-nine hundredths (815.49) feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Seventy feet, One hundred twenty-four and sixty-eight hundredths (124.68) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of Brook Road; thence a little East of South, by a straight line, across said Brook Road and across Thacher Street, Fifty-six and forty-seven hundredths (56.47) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of said Thacher Street; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Sixty-six and ninety-two hundredths feet, One hundred Twenty-five and fifty-six hundredths (125.56) feet to a stake; thence nearly Southerly, on the course first described, Eight hundred and fifty-eight and seventy-three hundredths (858.73) feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Twelve feet, Twenty-two and fifteen hundredths (22.15) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of Kahler Avenue; thence nearly Southerly, by a straight line across said Kahler Avenue, Forty-one and seventy-six hundredths (41.76) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of said Avenue; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty-five and ninety-two hundredths (25.92) feet to a stake; thence nearly Southerly on the course first above described Two hundred twenty-five and sixty-one one-hundredths (225.61) feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, on a radius of fifteen feet, Twenty-seven and seventy-one one-hundredths (27.71) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of Dyer Avenue; thence nearly Southerly across said Avenue, Fifty-two and twenty-four hundredths (52.24) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of said Dyer Avenue; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty-five feet, Thirty-two and thirty-five hundredths (32.35) feet to a stake; thence nearly Southerly, on the course first described, Two hundred seventy-three and thirteen hundredths (273.13) feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, on a radius of fifteen feet, Twenty-seven and seventy-one hundredths (27.71) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of Houston Avenue; thence nearly Southerly, across said Avenue, Fifty-two and twenty-four

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hundredths (48.34) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of said Avenue; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty-five feet, Thirty-two and thirty-five hundredths (32.35) feet to a stake; thence nearly Southerly, on the course first described, Two hundred seventy-three and thirteen hundredths (273.13) to a stake; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Fifteen feet, Twenty-seven and seventy-one one-hundredths (27.71) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of Warren Avenue; thence nearly Southerly, crossing said Avenue, Fifty-two and twenty-four hundredths (52.24) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of said Avenue; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty-five feet, Thirty-two and thirty-five hundredths (32.35) feet to a stake; thence nearly Southerly, by a straight line, on the course first described, Four thousand fifty-six and sixty-four (4056.64) feet, crossing Pine Tree Brook, to a stake near the junction of said Parkway with Canton Avenue; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty and ninety-four hundredths (20.94) feet to a stake; thence running Southeasterly, by a straight line Twelve and forty-three hundredths (12.43) feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty-five and seventy-six hundredths (25.76) feet to a stake standing in the Northwesterly side line of Canton Avenue; thence Southeasterly by a straight line crossing said Avenue Fifty-two and ninety-one one-hundredths (52.91) feet to a stake in the Southeasterly side line of said Canton Avenue; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty-five and sixty-three hundredths (25.63) feet to a stake; thence curving to the right, that is Southerly and Westerly, on a reverse curve, on a radius of One hundred forty feet, Three hundred fifty-nine and five hundredths (359.05) feet to a stake; thence by a reverse curve, turning to the left, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty-five and seventy-nine hundredths (25.79) feet, to a stake in said Southeasterly side line of said Canton Avenue; thence Northwesterly, across said Avenue, by a straight line Forty-eight and thirty-four hundredths 48.34 feet to a stake in the

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Northwesterly side line of said Canton Avenue; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty-five and forty-four (25.44) feet to a stake; thence curving to the right, that is Northerly and Easterly, on a reverse curve, on a radius of One hundred forty feet, Two hundred and seventy-five hundredths (200.75) feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, on a reverse curve, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty and ninety-four hundredths (20.94) feet to a stake; thence nearly Northerly, by a straight line, parallel to the course first above described, Thirty-seven hundred eighty-six and seven hundredths (3786.07) feet, crossing Pine Tree Brook, to a stake near the junction of said Parkway with Blue Hill Terrace; thence curving to the left, on a radius of fifteen feet, Twenty-five and ~~eighty~~ sixty-eight hundredths (25.68) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of said Blue Hill Terrace; thence nearly Northerly, crossing said Terrace, Forty and forty-two hundredths (40.42) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of said Terrace; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty-eight and fifty-nine hundredths (28.59) feet to a stake; thence nearly Northerly, by a straight line, parallel to the course first described, One hundred seventy-five and sixty-five hundredths (175.65) feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, on a radius of fifteen feet, Twenty-seven and forty hundredths (27.40) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of a thirty-foot street opposite said Warren Avenue; thence nearly Northerly, crossing said thirty-foot street, Thirty-two and twenty-five hundredths (32.25) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of said thirty-foot street; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty-six and thirty hundredths (26.30) feet to a stake; thence nearly Northerly, on a line parallel to the course first described, Three hundred eighteen and forty hundredths (318.40) feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, on a radius of ten feet, Seventeen and fifty-four hundredths (17.54) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of a thirty-foot street

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opposite [illegible] Avenue; thence nearly Northerly, crossing said street Thirty and forty-three hundredths (30.43) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of said street; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Fifteen feet, Twenty and eighty-one one-hundredths (20.81) feet to a stake; thence nearly Northerly, by a straight line parallel to the course first described, Two hundred eighty and fifty-eight hundredths (280.58) feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Ten feet, Seventeen and fifty-four hundredths (17.54) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of a thirty-foot street opposite [illegible] Avenue; thence nearly Northerly, crossing said street, Thirty and forty-three hundredths (30.43) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of said street; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Fifteen feet, Twenty and eighty-one one hundredths (20.81) feet to a stake; thence nearly Northerly, by a straight line on a course parallel to the course first described Two hundred eighty and fifty-eight hundredths (280.58) feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Ten feet, Seventeen and fifty-four hundredths (17.54) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of Churchill Street; thence nearly Northerly, crossing said Churchill Street, Thirty and forty-three hundredths (30.43) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of said Street; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Fifteen feet, Twenty and eighty-one one-hundredths (20.81) feet to a stake; thence nearly Northerly, by a straight line on a course parallel to the course first described Two hundred seventy-four and fifty-seven hundredths (274.57) feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Fifteen feet, Twenty-six and thirty-one one-hundredths (26.31) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of Oak Street; thence nearly Northerly, crossing said Oak Street, Forty and ninety-five hundredths (40.95) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of said Oak Street; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty-seven and seventy-four hundredths (27.74) feet

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feet to a stake; thence nearly Northerly, by a straight line, on a course parallel to the course first described, Five hundred nine and thirty-seven hundredths (509.37) feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty-five feet, Forty-seven and twenty hundredths (47.20) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of said Brook Road; thence nearly Northerly, crossing said Brook Road, Forty-four and sixteen hundredths (44.16) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of said Brook Road; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Forty feet, Fifty and twelve hundredths (50.12) feet to a stake; thence nearly Northerly, by a straight line, on a course parallel to the course first described, One hundred twenty-nine and forty-three hundredths (129.43) feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Ten feet, Eighteen and fifteen hundredths (18.15) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of Pond Street; thence nearly Northerly, crossing said street, Thirty-three and twenty-six hundredths (33.26) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of said street; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Fifteen feet, Nineteen and eighty-nine hundredths (19.89) feet to a stake; thence nearly Northerly, by a straight line, on a course parallel to the course first described, Fifty-six and seventy-seven hundredths (56.77) feet to a stake; thence nearly Northerly, but more Westerly, curving to the left, on a radius of Three hundred feet, Seventy-three and thirty-five hundredths (73.35) feet to a stake; thence North 13° 12' 30" West by a straight line, Four hundred ninety-nine and thirty-three (499.33) feet to a stake; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Thirty feet, Seventy-six and ten hundredths (76.10) feet to a stake in the Southeasterly side line of Blue Hill Avenue; thence still more Westerly, by a straight line, crossing Blue Hill Avenue and Brush Hill Road, One hundred twenty-eight and ninety-four hundredths (128.94) feet, to a stake in the Northwesterly side line of said Brush Hill Road; thence Northeasterly, curving to the left, that is Northerly, on a radius of Three hundred feet, Ninety-four and fifty three hundredths (94.53) feet to a stake; thence

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still Northeasterly, by a straight line, two hundred nine and sixteen hundredths (209.16) feet to a stake; thence curving to the left on a radius of three hundred feet, Ninety-five and sixty-nine hundredths (95.69) feet to a stake; thence still more Northerly, by a straight line, on a course nearly parallel with the course first described, Four hundred six and forty-eight hundredths (406.48) feet to a point formed by the intersection of the last described line with the centre line or thread of said Neponset River; thence Easterly and South-easterly, by the centre line or thread of said Neponset River on various courses, One hundred ninety-four and sixty-nine hundredths (194.69) feet to the point of beginning.

Intending to take, and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof included within the foregoing description, or however otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Witness our hands, this fifteenth day of March, A.D. 1895.

Metropolitan Park Commissioners.

Adjourned at 3.30 to meet on Thursday, March 21st, at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Bassett Secretary.

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Report of the eighty-sixth (86th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Thursday, March 21st, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, Messrs. P. A. Chase, Casas and Richards.

Mr. Casas was elected Chairman pro tempore.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

× The Secretary submitted the number of men employed as follows:-

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Beaver Brook Reservation
1 Superintendent, 2 Laborers
Blue Hills Reservation
6 Foremen, 134 Laborers,
Middlesex Fells Reservation
4 Foremen, 87 Laborers,
Stony Brook Reservation
3 Foremen, 35 Laborers.

Settlements submitted by Secretary.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land:

1 In the West Roxbury Parkway, Mrs. R. E. Billings, ten cents per foot.

2 In the Blue Hills Reservation, Alexander Pope and the Heirs of Sidney T. Pope, 5 1/4 acres, $50. per acre.

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the above two settlements were approved and ordered paid.

3 In the Middlesex Fells Reservation, Mrs Anna M Sanborn, about 1/4 of an acre near Highland Avenue, five cents per foot. On motion of Mr. Richards the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

4 The Secretary submitted a communication in relation to the claim of E. J. Wadsworth for two parcels of land, one of 1.78 acres and one of 6.84 acres. The Claim Agent recommended a settlement for the sum of $4,092. On motion of Mr. Casas the report was placed on file and the Secretary was directed to notify the Claim Agent to allow the matter to rest in abeyance for the time being.

5 The Secretary submitted a request from the Billings Heirs formerly owners of a certain parcel of land on Forest Street in the Blue Hills Reservation, that they be granted a hearing by the Board. On motion of Mr. Casas the matter was referred to the Chairman of the Board with full powers.

6 The Secretary submitted two communications from Mr. Alfred Rackemann, dated March 15th, one

C. Pastures
C. Planting

Communications from General Superintendent

relating to the renting of pastures and planting of gardens in the Reservations, the other relating to the question of boundary fences, and the Secretary was instructed to notify the General Superintendent to be present at the next meeting of the Board to consult with the Board as to the work of the coming summer and also, to be in readiness to answer any questions relating to the subject matter of his two communications and generally upon the matter of the work in the reservations.

Communication from General Superintendent

1 C. Fire Dept.

The Secretary submitted a communication from the General Superintendent, dated March 19th, enclosing a letter from Mr. Eldon P. Whitney, Clerk of the Board of Engineers of the town of Milton, and addressed to the Chief of Police of the Blue Hills Reservation, laying down certain rules which will govern the action of the Milton Fire Department in case they are called to any fires in the Blue Hills Reservation. The communication was ordered placed on file and the Secretary directed to reply that the Board had the matter under advisement.

Communication from General Superintendent

2 C. Police

The Secretary submitted a communication from the General Superintendent, dated March 18th, relating to a reduction and consolidation of the Police forces in the various reservations and, on motion of Mr. P. A. Chase, the Secretary was directed, in consultation with the General Superintendent, to present a plan at the next meeting of the Board to carry out the recommendations as contained in said communication of the General Superintendent.

Report of Landscape Architects -- letters of Mr. Allen Chamberlain

3 C. Entrances M. F. R.

The Landscape Architects submitted a report upon two letters addressed to the Board by Mr. A. C. Allen Chamberlain, which were referred to them at the last meeting, recommending that the petition of Mr. Chamberlain that an additional

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entrance to the Middlesex Fells Reservation be made near the estate of Mrs. Elizabeth K. Bacon was in their judgment unnecessary, especially in view of the fact that private enterprise would in the near future construct a street practically upon these lines and, further, that the Board having already provided two entrances from the Winchester side of the Reservation, could not in justice be called upon for any further expenditure of money for the purpose indicated. The report was accepted and ordered placed on file.

Letter from Mr. [illegible]

1 C. Charles River Dam

The Secretary presented a letter from Mr. Herbert S. Harding relating to the question of further action in the matter of investigating the desirability of the Charles River Dam. The communication was placed on file and the Secretary was directed to acknowledge the same.

2 C. Takings. B.H.R. Taking No. 20

Taking of Pine Tree Brook entrance to Blue Hills Reservation.

On motion of Mr. Richards the following taking for the Pine Tree Brook Entrance to the Blue Hills Reservation was passed.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners.

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Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission" being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other

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power and authority me hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying in Milton, in the County of Norfolk, and shown on plan marked "Blue Hills Reservation, Canton Ave. Park Entrance; Randolph Ave., Milton: Boundary of lands taken: Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot, Landscape Architects. Survey by E. C. Whitman Surveyor, Quincy, Mass., March, 1895," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 20, the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows, viz:—A tract of land lying in Milton in the County of Norfolk and being an addition to the East Middle section of the Blue Hills Reservation, so called, established by said Metropolitan Park Commission by virtue of taking, dated December 29, 1893, recorded with Norfolk Deeds, Book 707, page 119, and accompanied by Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 5, which taking and plan are duly recorded and hereby referred to: Beginning at a stake in the Southeasterly side line of Randolph Avenue in said Milton, nearly opposite the junction of said Randolph Avenue with Highland Street, so called, in land of John M. Forbes; thence running, Southwesterly and Southerly, curving to the left, on a radius of ninety-six and sixty-six hundredths feet, ninety-two and twenty-eight hundredths (92.28) feet to a stake; thence by a straight

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-ine Southeasterly, seventy-nine and fifty-six hundredths (79.56) feet to a stake; thence a little more Easterly, curving to the right, on a radius of two hundred sixty-two and nineteen hundredths feet, one hundred thirty and six-tenths (130.6) feet to a stake; thence Southeasterly by a straight line three hundred five and sixty-six hundredths (305.66) feet to a stake; thence a little more Easterly, curving to the left, on a radius of thirteen hundred ninety-eight feet, five hundred eighty-seven and two tenths (587.2) feet to a stake in land of Fletcher; thence more Easterly by a straight line, two hundred twenty-eight and ninety-five hundredths (228.95) feet to a stake; thence Southeasterly and Easterly, curving to the left, on a radius of six hundred eighty-six and one tenths feet, three hundred eighty-nine and twenty one hundredths (389.21) feet to a stake; thence Easterly by a straight line six hundred twenty-six and twelve hundredths (626.12) feet to a stake near a cart path in land of heirs of Nathan Crossman; thence Southeasterly, curving to the right, on a radius of three hundred forty-five and two hundredths feet, two hundred twelve and ninety-six hundredths (212.96) feet to a stake; thence Southeasterly, by a straight line, two hundred nineteen and two tenths (219.2) feet to a stake; thence Southeasterly and Easterly, curving to the left, on a radius of one hundred fifty-five and eight hundredths feet, one hundred seventy-seven and sixty-five hundredths (177.65) feet to a stake in land of E. W. Reed; thence Easterly, by a straight line seven hundred eighty-two and eight tenths (782.8) feet to a stake near the town line between said Milton and Quincy, standing in land believed to be of said Reed; thence a little more Southerly by a straight line to a

stake at point marked C on said plan, standing
in the boundary line between the towns of Weston and
Quincy, at its intersection with the Southeasterly
boundary line of said First Middle Section; thence
Southwesterly, along the boundary line of said taking
of said First Middle Section, as shown upon said Plan
No. 5, fifteen hundred seventeen and twenty-seven
hundredths (1517.27) feet to a stake at point
marked K on said Plan No. 5 and upon said
plan of said Whitman first hereinabove referred
to; thence Southwesterly and Westerly, curving to the
right, on a radius of one hundred and nine feet,
three hundred eighty six and fifty-three hundredths
(386.53) feet along said boundary of said former
taking to a stake at point marked J on said
Plan No. 5 and on said plan of said Whitman
first hereinabove referred to; thence turning back
at an acute angle and running Easterly, Southerly and
Southwesterly on a curve with a radius of one
hundred forty one and sixty-six hundredths feet, two
hundred eighty-six and eight tenths (286.8) feet to a
stake in land of estate of David W. Fletcher; thence
running Southwesterly, by a straight line eleven
hundred forty-eight and ninety-five hundredths
(1148.95) feet to a stake in the boundary line
between lands of Sharpleigh on the North and Fletcher
on the South; thence bending to the right and
running more Southerly by a straight line five
hundred fifty nine and six-tenths (559.6) feet
to a stake standing in land of said Fletcher
near the Southeasterly line of a cart path;
thence Southwesterly, curving to the left, on a
radius of three hundred twelve and forty seven
hundredths feet one hundred seventy-seven and
seventy-nine (177.79) feet to a stake standing
in land of said Fletcher; thence nearly Westerly

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by a straight line two hundred ten (210) feet to a stake near the Southerly side of a cart path in another lot of said Fletcher; thence Northwesterly, curving to the right, on a radius of two hundred ten and twelve hundredths feet, one hundred eighty-six and sixty-six hundredths (186.66) feet to a stake near the Southwesterly side of a cart path in said lot of said Fletcher; thence Northwesterly, by a straight line nearly parallel with the line of said cart path two hundred eight and three-tenths (208.3) feet to a stake still in said last-named lot of said Fletcher; thence Northerly, Northwesterly and Westerly, curving to the left, on a radius of one hundred twenty-four and forty-eight hundredths feet, two hundred twenty and twenty-three hundredths (220.23) feet to a stake in land of estate of David S. Tucker; thence Southwesterly, by a straight line six hundred twenty-four and forty-nine hundredths (624.49) feet to a stake in the Southeasterly side line of said Randolph Avenue, in land of one Lewis S. Conant; thence turning back at an acute angle, and running Northeasterly, in said side line of said Randolph Avenue one hundred ninety-three and five-tenths (193.5) feet to a stake at a bend in said side line opposite the head of an old road marked "lane" on said plan of Whitman; thence continuing Northeasterly, more Northerly, by said side line of said Randolph Avenue, past lands of said estate of said Tucker, crossing Pine Tree Brook, and past lands of John A. Welch and across the other end of said old road marked "lane" on said plan, two thousand fifty-eight and five-tenths (2058.5) feet to the point of beginning.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and

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every such tract, estate or parcel or part thereof included within the foregoing description, or howsoever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Witness our hands, this twenty-first day of March, A. D. 1895.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

C. Takings.
N. F. P.
Taking No. 22

On motion of Mr. Chase the following taking of the Malden section of the Middlesex Fells Parkway was passed.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Taking of Malden Section of Middlesex Fells Parkway.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners
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Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to authorize construction of roadways and boulevards," being chapter two hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of the year 1894, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, being the city government of Malden, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and

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to the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying in the City of Malden, in the County of Middlesex, and shown on plan marked "Plan of Taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission, for the Middlesex Fells Parkway, Pleasant Street to Reservation, Malden, Mass. * */* March 7, 1895, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, Wm. T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 22, the original of which is to be recorded herewith, and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners; the first parcel being bounded and described as follows, viz;—

Beginning at a stake in the Northerly side line of Pleasant Street, at land of Sylvester Baxter et al., thence curving Northeastwardly, on a radius of fifty feet, Fifty-nine and fifty-six hundredths (59.56) feet to a stake; thence Northeasterly, by a straight line Two hundred fifty and sixty-nine hundredths (250.69) feet to a stake at land of said Baxter; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Forty feet, Sixty-four and ninety-four hundredths (64.94) feet to a stake in the Southwesterly side line of Murray Street; thence Northeastwardly, crossing said Murray Street, thence Northeastwardly, crossing said Murray Street, Thirty-six (36) feet to a stake; thence Southeastwardly, by a straight line, Sixty-three and fifty-nine hundredths (63.59) feet to a stake at land of M. S. O'Donnell; thence curving to the left, on a radius of Ninety-four and sixty-three hundredths feet, One hundred forty-six and ninety-five hundredths (146.95) feet to a stake at land of said O'Donnell; thence

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Southeastwardly, by a straight line Two hundred [illegible] fifteen (215) feet to a stake; thence Southeastwardly, but more Eastwardly, Twenty-five and fifty-six hundredths (25.56) feet to a stake at land of J. H. Chadwick, being also in the Easterly side line of Vista Street; thence Southwestwardly Twenty (20) feet, by said line of said street, to a stake; thence nearly West, across said street, Twenty-six (26) feet to a stake at land of S. K. Roberts; thence curving to the North and West, on a radius of Twenty feet, Thirty-six and twenty hundredths (36.20) feet to a stake; thence curving to the West and South, on a radius of Two hundred twenty-four and fifty-three hundredths feet, One hundred thirty-eight and twenty-two hundredths (138.22) feet to a stake at land of E. West; thence curving to the Southwest, on a radius of Six hundred and fifty feet, Three hundred thirteen and fifteen hundredths (313.15) feet to a stake at land of H. E. Morse; thence curving to the Southwest and Southeast, on a radius of Twenty feet, Thirty-nine and fifty-two hundredths (39.52) feet to a stake in said Northerly side line of said Pleasant Street; thence turning at an acute angle, and running Westerly along said side line, One hundred eighty-seven and eighty-two hundredths (187.82) feet, to the point of beginning.

The second parcel lies Northeasterly of the first described parcel, and is bounded and described as follows, viz.,— Beginning at a stake in the Westerly side line of Prospect Street, at land belonging to said City of Malden; thence running Northerly, along said side of said street, Fifty-one and five-tenths (51.5) feet to an angle; thence Northeastwardly, along said land of said city, One hundred and ten feet to an angle; thence Northerly along the same, Forty and fifty-five hundredths (40.55) feet to an angle; thence Northwesterly, One hundred eighteen and eighty-two hundredths (118.82)

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feet to a stake; and thence curving to the North, on a radius of Two hundred and fifty-seven feet, One hundred seventy-six and fifty-nine hundredths (176.59) feet to a stake, said last two measurements being by land of estate of J. R. C. Sleeper; thence curving Westerly, on a radius of Nine hundred nineteen and ninety-four hundredths feet, One hundred eighty-six and ninety-one one-hundredths (186.91) feet to a stake at land of Henry Amerige; thence Southerly, by a straight line One hundred fourteen and ten hundredths (114.10) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of Savin Street; thence Westerly, along said side line Seventy-six and seventy-five hundredths (76.75); thence Northerly, across said street Fifty (50) feet to a stake at the corner of the Malden Cemetery; thence along said Cemetery Four hundred ninety-nine and thirty hundredths (499.30) feet to a stake; thence curving to the West, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twelve and six hundredths (12.06) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of Pine Street; thence Northwardly, across said street, Forty (40) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of said Street; thence curving to the East and North, on a radius of Twenty feet, Thirty-one and forty-seven hundredths (31.47) feet to a stake at land of one Eliot; thence North 6° 32' 30" East, Three hundred fifty-one and fifteen hundredths (351.15) feet to a stake at land of J. E. Staples; thence curving to the North and West, on a radius of Twenty feet, Thirty-one and forty-one one-hundredths (31.41) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of Siley Street; thence Northwardly, across said street, Forty (40) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of said street; thence curving to the East and North, Thirty-one and sixty-two hundredths (31.62) feet to a stake at land of one Amerige; thence nearly Northerly, curving to the East on a radius of

Twenty-one hundred eight and forty-three hundredths feet, Two hundred fifteen and ninety hundredths (215.90) feet to a stake at [illegible] of land [illegible] of [illegible]; thence Southwestwardly, along said land, and [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] Street, Sixty-eight and seventy-one one-hundredths (68.71) feet to a stake at land of [illegible] Wentworth; thence Southeastwardly, One hundred thirty-four and ninety-one one-hundredths (134.91) feet to a stake at land of A. B. [illegible]; thence curving to the [illegible] and South, on a radius of Sixty feet, Seventy-four and twenty-five hundredths (74.25) feet to a stake at land of [illegible] and [illegible], in the Southwest side line of Highland Avenue; thence Northeastwardly, obliquely across said Highland Avenue, Eighty-six and seventy-nine hundredths (89.79) feet to a stake in the Northeasterly side line of said Avenue, at land of Hinard; thence curving to the Southeast and Northeast, on a radius of Twenty feet, Forty-three and forty-five hundredths (43.45) feet to a stake at land of said Hinard; thence Northeast, curving to the right, on a a radius of Two hundred thirty-seven and sixty-seven hundredths feet, One hundred eighty-four and eighty-one one-hundredths (184.81) feet to a stake at land of Richard and Samuel G. Dexter; thence North 30° 14' East, Sixty-seven and and forty-hundredths (67.40) feet to a stake; thence Northeasterly, curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty-four hundred thirteen and ninety-two hundredths feet, Five hundred ninety-nine and ten hundredths (599.10) feet to a stake; thence Northeasterly and Northerly, curving to the left, on a radius of Seven hundred eighty-one and two hundredths feet, Five hundred twenty-eight and seventy-eight hundredths (528.78) feet to a stake; thence curving to the Northwest, on a radius of Two hundred feet, One hundred fifty-seven and ~~twenty~~ seventy-six hundredths (157.76) feet to a stake in the boundary line of the Middlesex

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Fells Reservation taken by said Commission by instrument dated February 2, 1894, recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, Book 2257, page 1, shown on Plan numbered Seven (7) of said Commission therewith recorded, where the same abuts upon land of Jennie M. Paine; thence turning back, at an acute angle, and running Easterly, along said boundary line of said Reservation, curving to the left, on a radius of Two hundred and ninety feet, One hundred ninety-two and fifty hundredths (192.50) feet; thence Easterly in a straight line, Sixty-seven and fifty-seven hundredths (67.57) feet to a stake in said boundary line, at land of said Dexters; thence turning back and curving to the West and South, on a radius of Fifty-two and six hundredths feet, Eighty-seven and ninety-three hundredths (87.93) feet, to a stake at land of said Dexters; thence Southerly and Southwesterly, curving to the right, on a radius of Nine hundred one and two hundredths (901.02) feet, Six hundred ten and three hundredths (610.03) feet to a stake at land of said Dexters; thence more Westerly, curving to the right, on a radius of Twenty-five hundred thirty-three and ninety-two hundredths feet, Four hundred eighteen and ninety-four hundredths (418.94) feet to a stake at land of said Dexters; thence South 36° 46' West, Sixty-seven and forty hundredths (67.40) feet to a stake at land of said Dexters; thence Southwesterly and Southerly, curving to the left, on a radius of Eight hundred seventeen and sixty-seven hundredths feet, Two hundred sixty and ninety-one one-hundredths (260.91) feet to a stake at land of T. R. Howard; thence Southerly and Southeasterly, curving to the left, on a radius of Sixty feet, Fifty and ninety-five hundredths (50.95) feet to a stake in the Northeasterly side line of said Highland Avenue; thence Southerly, crossing said Highland Avenue

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Westerly, Eighty-nine and twenty-five hundredths ([illegible]) feet to a stake in the Southeasterly side line of said avenue; thence Northeasterly, Easterly and Southeasterly, on a radius of Fifteen feet, Thirty-five and forty-seven hundredths (35.47) feet to a stake at land of A.B. Morgan; thence Southerly, curving to the left, on a radius of Nineteen hundred eighty-eight and forty-three hundredths feet, Two hundred forty-eight and twenty-three hundredths (248.23) feet to a stake at said land of Morgan; thence Southerly, Southeasterly and Easterly, curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty feet, Thirty-one and sixty-one one-hundredths (31.61) feet to a stake at land of said Morgan; thence nearly Southerly, across said Wiley Street, Forty (40) feet to a stake, at land of H. Newcomb; thence Westerly, Southwesterly and Southerly, curving to the left, on a radius of twenty feet, Thirty-one and forty-two hundredths (31.42) feet to a stake; thence nearly Southerly, Fifty-one and three hundredths (51.03) feet to a stake; thence South 6° 32′ 30″ West, Three hundred and fifty-four hundredths (300.54) feet to a stake at land of J.H. Estabrooks; thence Southerly, Southeasterly and Easterly, curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty feet, Thirty-one and thirty-six hundredths (31.36) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of said Pine Street, at land of W. Cornwell; thence Southerly, crossing said Pine Street, Forty (40) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of said Street, at land of H.J. Flatley; thence Westerly, Southwesterly and Southerly, curving to the left, on a radius of twenty feet, Thirty-one and forty-seven hundredths (31.47) feet to a stake; thence nearly Southerly, Two hundred ninety-four and forty-eight hundredths (294.48) feet to a stake at land of said Flatley; thence Southerly, a little Easterly, curving to the left, on a radius of Eight hundred sixty-six and

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fifty hundredths feet, One hundred seventy-one and eight hundredths (171.08) feet to a stake at land of H. Amerige; thence Southerly, Southeasterly and Easterly, curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty-seven and thirty-seven hundredths (27.37) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of said Savin Street; thence Southeasterly, crossing said Savin Street, Fifty-three and thirty-two hundredths (53.32) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of said street, at land of said Amerige; thence Westerly, Southwesterly and Southerly, curving to the left, on a radius of twenty feet, Thirty-five and forty-two hundredths (35.42) feet to a stake; thence South 4° 54' East, Seventy-two and sixty hundredths (72.60) feet to a stake at land of said Amerige; thence South, a little West, curving to the right, on a radius of One thousand and ninety-four hundredths feet, Two hundred three and eighty-one one-hundredths (203.81) feet to a stake at land of said Sleeper Estate; thence Southerly, more Westerly, on a radius of Three hundred forty feet, One hundred sixty-one and fifty-four hundredths (161.54) feet to a stake at land of said Sleeper Estate; thence Southerly, Southeasterly and Easterly, curving to the left, on a radius of twenty feet, Forty-one and eleven hundredths (41.11) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of Prospect Street; thence Southerly, crossing said Prospect Street, Forty (40) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of said street, at land of L. Pray; thence Westerly, by said land of Pray, Forty-four (44) feet to an angle; thence Southwesterly by the same, Two hundred thirty-five and fifty hundredths (235.50) feet to a stake; thence Southwesterly and Southerly, curving to the left, on a radius of twenty feet, Twenty-three and ninety-one one-hundredths (23.91) feet to a stake in the Easterly side line of said Prospect

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Street, at said land of Troy; thence Southwesterly, crossing said Prospect Street obliquely, Forty-three (43) feet to the point of beginning.

Intending to take, and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof included within the foregoing description, or however otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less,

Witness our hands, this twenty-first day of March, A. D. 1895,

Metropolitan Park Commission

Adjourned at 3.15 to meet on Thursday March 28th, at 1.30 P. M.

A. L. Carruth Secretary

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Report of the eighty ~~eighth~~ seventh (87th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Thursday, March 28th, 1895, at 1.30 P. M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase, Lucas and Richards.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary submitted number of men employed

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed as follows:-

Blue Hills Reservation,
6 Foremen, 126 Laborers.
Middlesex Fells Reservation.
4 Foremen 81 Laborers;
Stony Brook Reservation
3 Foremen, 36 Laborers,
Beaver Brook Reservation
1 Superintendent, 2 Laborers.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land –

In the Blue Hills Reservation.

1 Burke Brothers, 31 3/4 acres, including quarry – $4000.

2 Geo. A. Fletcher, 23.6 " in the Pine Tree Brook Entrance, ~~232~~ $300. an acre –

On motion of Mr. Richards the above two settlements were approved and ordered paid.

In the West Roxbury Parkway.

3 John M. Sibley, 20,410 sq. ft – 9 cents per foot –

On motion of Mr. Richards the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

4 The Secretary submitted a communication from the Claim Agent in relation to the land of Mary Conners Walker recommending that he be authorized to settle her claim for 10.313 acres for the sum of $3000. On motion of Mr. Casas the Secretary was instructed to settle for the sum above mentioned.

5 The Secretary submitted the following report upon the reorganization of the Police Department.

March 27, 1895.

Charles Francis Adams, Chairman

Sir:--

Agreeably to the instructions of the Board at the last meeting I submit herewith the following plan for the reorganization of the Police Department.

In the Blue Hills Reservation.

The Superintendent to serve as a Chief retaining two of the present officers and adding seven men, to be selected from the foremen and other suitable men in the regular forces of the Reservation. These seven men to be paid for time actually spent in police duty on Sundays and holidays between the middle of March and

[illegible]

During the week days, with the large number of men scattered over the Reservation, I do not regard it as necessary that there should be more than two officers regularly employed. These two would be stationed, one in the Eastern section near the West Quincy village and the other in the Great Blue Hill section, which are the two localities most frequented and where there is the most likelihood of the necessity for their service.

It is possible that events may develop which will require the placing of an officer in the vicinity of the "Hoosicwhisic Pond" which until recent times has been a popular resort, with more or less lawlessness connected with its use. This, however, can wait until the need of an officer is demonstrated.

In the Middlesex Fells Reservation.

I would recommend the retention of the Superintendent in his present position as Chief of Police, with two officers, to be located at the points most likely to require their services, and the selection of four men to serve upon Sundays and holidays in the same manner as in the Blue Hills.

In the Stony Brook Reservation.

I would recommend the retention of the Superintendent and one officer and the selection of two men as in the other two reservations.

In the Beaver Brook Reservation.

No change, in my judgment, is necessary in the present status at Beaver Brook

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By the carrying out of this plan a saving amounting to over eight thousand dollars per annum will be effected, as follows:--

There are now employed in the Blue Hills Reservation a Chief and six officers at an expense of, $5,826.50

Additional men, -	1,250.
Total,	$7,706.50
The expense of the plan which I have proposed would be -	2,536.75
Saving over the present method	$4,539.75

In the Middlesex Fells Reservation

Five officers -	4,095.
Additional men, -	1,250.
Total,	5,345.
Expense of plan as proposed	2,233.
Saving over present method,	$3,112.

In the Stony Brook Reservation,

Two officers	1,638.
Expense of plan as proposed,	1,111.50
Saving over present method,	526.50

Recapitulated -	Blue Hills Reservation,	4,539.75
	Middlesex Fells "	3,112.
	Stony Brook "	526.50
	Total Saving,	$8,178.25

By the arrangement which I have outlined, it is proposed to increase the salary of the superintendents in the Blue Hills and the Middlesex Fells Reservations, being the two larger Reservations, $190. each per annum, the officers retained to be paid at the present rate and the men who are employed upon Sundays and holidays to be paid police pay, viz., $2.25 per day.

In the Stony Brook Reservation it [illegible]

proposed to increase the salary of the superintendent $80. per annum, the Reservation being very much greater than either the Blue Hills or the Middlesex Fells.

I am confident that this arrangement, if carried out, will meet all the reasonable requirements in the way of protection to persons and property.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed,) W. B. de las Casas,
Secretary

On motion of Mr. Pickards the Report was accepted and the recommendations adopted, the Secretary being instructed to bring the matter before the Board May 1st 1895.

The Secretary submitted two bills of Messrs. Fitch and Rackemann for services previous to Jan.
1 1st 1895, in the matter of suits against the Commission.
C. Law Dept. The bills were referred to the Chairman with full powers.

2 A communication was received from the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Malden
C. W. & P. asking that when work is commenced upon the Middlesex Fells Parkway that the Board consider the advisability of beginning at the southerly end. Referred to the Engineer.

A communication was received from Mr. J.
3 J. Brown of Melrose requesting the Commission
Bldgs. & P. to sell at a nominal price a small shop or building, located on Wyoming Avenue near the Red Mills, to Mrs. Sarah E. Pennington. The Secretary was instructed to reply to the said communication stating that it would be impossible for the Commission to comply with the request at the present time owing to the uncertainty as to the line of abandonment in that section of

the Middlesex Fells.

Communication
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C. Map Division

The Secretary submitted a communication,
1 dated March 28th, from Prof. Charles E. Fay, of Tufts College, relating to the publishing of the Metropolitan District Map and containing a suggestion that the same be done through the Appalachian Mountain Club. The Secretary was instructed to communicate with Prof. Fay and to make some arrangement similar to that outlined in his letter.

Communication from Messrs Bartell and Phillips
C. Uniforms, Police

A communication was received from
2 Messrs Bartell and Phillips, of 1 Pemberton Square, relating to the making of uniforms for the police forces of the Commission. Referred to the Secretary with full powers.

Secretary submitted [illegible] banks -
C. C.R.R.
C. Takings C.R.R.
C. Claims C.R.R.

The Secretary submitted the plans of
3 taking of certain portions of the Charles River banks on the North side of said River, together with estimates of the cost of the same. The question was discussed at length and laid over.

Communications from Mr. Edgar J. Rich
C. Claim Agent

The Chairman submitted two com-
4 munications, dated March 19th and 26th, from Mr. Edgar J. Rich, the Claim Agent of the Commission, tendering his resignation and asking that his salary as Claim Agent cease on April 1st and that whatever work he may do after that date be charged for time actually spent at the rate of 8/10. per day. The communications were read and ordered placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Chase it was

Resignation of Mr. Rich accepted.

Ordered:-- That the resignation of Mr. Rich be accepted.

C. Claim Agent

5 On motion of Mr. Chase it was also

Ordered:-- That the matter of

recommendation of a person to fill the position of Claim Agent, made vacant by the resignation of Mr. [illegible], is referred to the Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Chase the following taking for the Braintree Entrance to the "Blue Hills" Reservation was passed.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners.

March 28, 1895.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided (the town of Braintree hereinafter named having no Park Commissioners), the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying in Braintree in the County of Norfolk, and shown on a plan marked "Blue Hills Reservation; Addition to East Middle Section; Boundary of Lands Taken; Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, Surveys by H. T. Whitman, Surveyor, Quincy, Mass., * * * January, 1895"; being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan

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No. 27, the original of which is to be recorded herewith, and a duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, bounded and described as follows, viz.: A tract of land lying in Braintree in the County of Norfolk, being an addition to the East Middle section of the Blue Hills Reservation, established by said Commission by a Taking dated December 29, 1893, accompanied by Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 5, both which are duly recorded and hereby referred to - beginning at an angle in the town line between the City of Quincy and said Town of Braintree, at a point marked "Hemlock Tree in rock," in land formerly of M. J. Dewing, more recently of John Fallon, and running thence Southwesterly along said town line, being also the Southeasterly boundary line of said prior Taking, as shown upon both the above mentioned plans, Thirty-two hundred twenty-seven (3227) feet more or less to a point formed by the intersection of said town line with the centre line or thread of the stream of Blue Hill River or Monatiquot River, so-called; thence turning and running Northwesterly up stream along said centre line or thread Three hundred and sixty-five (365) feet to a point in said centre line or thread; thence turning and running Southwesterly but nearly Southerly, Three hundred and ten and five-tenths feet to a stake standing in land of Norray Land Company; thence running more Southwesterly, curving to the right on a radius of One hundred forty-three and ninety-seven hundredths feet, One hundred and fifty-one one-hundredths (100.51) feet to a stake in the Northwesterly side line of West Street so-called in said Braintree; which is distant Southwesterly, measuring on said side line Four hundred and seventy-one (471) feet from the centre of the culvert under said West Street, forming an outlet

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of Great Pond, so-called, in said Braintree; thence turning back at an acute angle and running in a generally Northeasterly direction along said side line of said Blue Hill Street, crossing said Blue Hill River, Twenty-nine hundred and fifty-five (2955) feet to a stake in said side line in land now or late of Charles A. Belcher; thence turning back at an acute angle and running Southwesterly, curving to the right, on a radius of Ten hundred and five and forty-four hundredths feet, Three hundred and seventeen and thirty-two hundredths (317.32) feet to a stake; thence Northwesterly and Northerly, curving to the right on a radius of Three hundred and sixty-four and two-tenths feet, Four hundred and three and one-tenth feet (403.1) feet to a stake in land of said Belcher; thence in a straight line North 24° 2' West, through lands of said Belcher, lands now or late of Safford, lands known as the Zeigler lot, and said land late of Deming, more recently of Fallon, Twenty-one hundred and seventy-six and thirty-two hundredths (2176.32) feet to the point of beginning, comprising Sixty-six and two-tenths (66.2) acres of land, be it more or less; and including lands taken from said Fallon; from the heirs of Zeigler and from Nathaniel M. Safford; from said Charles A. Belcher; from Porter and others, formerly of B. V. French; from Edward Hobart, Mrs. A. E. Hollis, Paul Minchin, Hiram A. French and Norray Land Company.

Intending to take, and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof, included within the foregoing description or however otherwise bounded or described, and the said measurements or any of them more or less.

Witness our hands this twenty-eighth day of March, A.D. 1895.

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1 A conference was held with the General Superintendent at which he outlined the work which he regarded as most necessary to be done during the coming summer.

Adjourned at 5.05 to meet on Thursday, April 4th, at 1.30 P.M.

A. S. Carruth Secretary.

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Report of the eighty-eighth (88th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Thursday, April 4th, 1895, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, Messrs P. A. Chase, Curtis and Richards.

On motion of Mr. Chase Mr. Curtis was elected Chairman pro tempore.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary submitted number of employed

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed as follows:--

Blue Hills Reservation,
6 Foremen, 116 Laborers;
Middlesex Fells Reservation,
4 Foremen, 8[illegible] Laborers,
Stony Brook Reservation
[illegible] Foremen, 3[illegible] Laborers,
Beaver Brook Reservation
1 Superintendent, 2 Laborers.

Settlements submitted by Secretary

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land:

In the Stony Brook Reservation,

J. J. [illegible] 2 J. J. Lund, 42911 square feet of land $2,000.

In the West Branch Reservoir

C. 1 William Doherty — William Doherty, 10,735 square feet of land, ...

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the above two settlements were approved and ordered paid.

In the Beaver Brook Reservoir

C. 2 Heirs of Daniel Dechon — Heirs of Daniel Dechon, 2.91 acres ... On motion of Mr Richards the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

Secretary submitted telegraphic dispatch — The Secretary submitted a telegraphic dispatch

3 from the Chairman, dated New York April 4th, giving

C. Claim Agent — notice that he desired the members of the Board to investigate the qualifications of ... applying for the position of Claim Agent and that he should call the matter up for action at the next meeting of the Board.

Secretary instructed to obtain opinion of Law Department 4 — On motion of Mr. ... the Secretary was instructed to obtain the opinion of the Law Department

C. Awards. — as to the necessity of the Board formally

C. Claims. Awards — making awards for all the lands taken in any given Reservation within the two year limit, whether said land claims have been adjusted or not.

Communication ... — The Secretary submitted a communication

5 from Mr. Fred Joy protesting against the taking

C. Joy — of any of the land belonging to his mother in the town of Winchester for the Croton Valley Gateway. The Secretary was instructed to reply to Mr. Joy and state to him that the Board had the matter under advisement and would give his suggestions careful consideration.

Communication General Superintendent 6 — The Secretary submitted a communication, dated April 3rd, from Mr. ... Rackemann,

C. S. ... Gen. Supt. — General Superintendent, relating to the matter of his salary for the year beginning ... On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the matter was especially assigned to the next meeting of the

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Board.

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase it was

C. B. H. P. Voted; - That it is the intention of the Metropolitan Park Commission, in the Blue Hills Parkway, so-called, in Milton, established by Taking made by said Commission, dated March 15th, 1895, to be recorded with Norfolk Deeds, together with plan thereof; to permit or provide for the maintenance of water, sewer and gas mains and service pipes, also for the distribution of electricity; and to have two roadways upon said Parkway; and to allow teaming with loaded vehicles upon one or the other of these roadways, - all for the benefit of the abuttors upon said Parkway, and of the public; and for such limited time as said Commission may deem reasonable, to suffer all now-existing electric light, fire alarm, and police signal system poles and wires to remain within the limits of said Parkway, but not to permit any permanent overhead wires of any sort upon said Parkway or any part thereof, except in the space reserved for street cars, and there only for supplying power and light to such cars under rules and regulations to be hereafter prescribed by this Board.

Voted; - That the Secretary transmit to the Selectmen of the Town of Milton an attested copy of these two votes.

Communication from Geo. W. Stadly and Company.

2 A communication was received from Messrs George G. Stadly and Company relating to the Metropolitan District Map. On motion of Mr.

C. Map, District

P. A. Chase the Secretary was authorized to make an amended contract with the said George G. Stadly and Company in conformity with their letter of April 4, 1895, for a sum

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Secretary to have guide maps printed

C. Maps. Hinds.

[illegible]

On motion of Mr. [illegible] Chase the Secretary was authorized to expend a sum not to exceed 200. for printing guide maps of the Reservations for public distribution

Adjourned at 3.55 to meet on Wednesday, April 10th, at 1.30 P.M.

H. S. Carruth, Secretary

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Apr. 10, 1895.

Report of the eighty-ninth (89th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston April 10th, 1895, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary. Submitted number of men employed. ×

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed as follows:--

Blue Hills Reservation.

5 Foremen, 104 Laborers.

Middlesex Fells Reservation,

4 Foremen, 79 Laborers.

Stony Brook Reservation,

[illegible] Foremen, [illegible] Laborers,

Beaver Brook Reservation

Superintendent, 1 Laborer.

[illegible] submitted by Secretary

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land on the West Roxbury Parkway.

2 Dennis J. O'Leary [illegible] square feet $36[illegible].

3 Albert E. [illegible] 12000. " " 1195.

On motion of Mr. [illegible] Chase the above settlements were approved and ordered paid.

Secretary to settle claim of Rev. M. F. Flatley [illegible] C. [illegible]

4 On motion of Mr. Curtis the Secretary was authorized to settle the claim of Rev. M. F. Flatley

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1 The Secretary submitted the following settlement of land in the Blue Hills Reservation.

Harriet A. Locke, Anna W. Sexton — Harriet A. Locke and Anna W. Sexton, 2/45 each of six acres at $30. per acre. On motion of the Chair this settlement was approved and ordered paid.

On motion of Mr. Evans the following order was passed.

Secretary to settle sundry claims Middlesex Fells Parkway — Ordered:— That the Secretary be authorized to settle with the following individuals for land taken from them, situated in Malden in the Middlesex Fells Parkway, for the prices set against their respective names, as per agreements made by him.

C. [illegible] 2	Henry [illegible],	[illegible] square feet	$2,[illegible]5.
C. Joseph B. Douglas 3	Joseph B. Douglas,	2,733 " " and buildings.	2,200.
C. A. B. Morgan 4	A. B. Morgan,	17,152 square feet	1,715.20
C. Hannah M. Sleeper and Emma Sleeper Horton 5	Hannah M. Sleeper and Emma Sleeper Horton,	27,270. " "	3,408.75
C. John G. Chandler 6	John G. Chandler,	7,982 " " and allowance for moving	2,350
C. A. B. Palmer 7	A. B. Palmer,	2,496 square feet,	1.

All of the above settlements are made free from betterments.

Communication from Claim Agent relating to claim of Mrs. M. A. B. Allen — The Secretary submitted a communication from the Claim Agent relating to the claim of Mrs.

8 M. A. B. Allen for certain lands in the Middlesex Fells Reservation in Winchester. The communication was referred to the Secretary with instructions to negotiate further in the matter.

C. Allen,

Communication [illegible] — The communication of the General Superintendent,

C. [illegible] Gen. Supt. 9 dated April 8th, and [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible]

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meeting was called up and ordered placed on file.

On motion of Mr. C. A. Chase it was

Chairman to have conference with Gen. Supt. & offer him $2000

Ordered:-- That the Chairman be instructed to have a conference with the General Superintendent and that he be authorized to offer him the sum of $2000. as salary for one year from May 1st, 1895.

Report of Secretary

2. The Secretary submitted the following report:-

April, 9th, 1895.

C. Development

Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Metropolitan Park Commission

Sir:--

As the season advances, it seems wise to the officers of the Board especially charged with the work of the Commission, to outline and present to the Board their views as to what should be the course of procedure in the various Reservations during the coming summer. The following outline comprehends, in their judgment, the work which is at this time both necessary and desirable, and is stated in the order of importance:

First. The construction of suitable fences where the boundary line intersects private estates and, in consequence, where the danger of cattle straying into the Reservations and of the public trespassing upon private estates is most imminent. Of such fencing there should be ordered at once, in the Blue Hills Reservation, 6½ miles, and in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, 7½ miles. I would suggest the adoption of the form of fence used by the Commission in the Beaver Brook Reservation last summer with the qualification that, in place of every other standard being [illegible] in the ground, that each and every [illegible] standard shall be firmly fixed in the [illegible]

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the cost of this fence would probably average not far from $600. per mile, or $8,500. for the whole.

Second. The completion of such roads in the Blue Hills and Middlesex Fells Reservations as are intended for the use of pleasure vehicles. In the Blue Hills Reservation this form of road is limited to one consecutive line extending from Canton Avenue to Willard Street, in West Quincy.

It was only completed in the rough when the closing in of the winter season, in November last, prevented further work of this kind. In the Middlesex Fells there are a number of such roads, and as in the case of the Blue Hills, they are all in a state near completion. I would strongly recommend the immediate completion of these roads, and abstention from any further such work during the coming summer.

Third. The placing of certain wood roads in the Reservations in condition for use as bridle paths. As in the case of the so-called carriage roads, many, and I may say most, of these wood roads have been largely placed in such condition as would render them sufficiently good for such use. This work being done to make of them suitable fireguards, there are, however, small areas on nearly all of them which require a little changing, a little improvement to prevent the miring of horses, and the removing of stones and stumps. No disturbance of the surface of these roads is necessary except at such points as I have spoken of.

The cost of maintaining sufficient gangs in the three Reservations until the coming fall, to perform the labor above described, will be in the vicinity of $20,000.

[illegible]
con.- The following are the roads and bridle-paths which it is suggested should be finished in accordance with above recommendations.

Blue Hills Reservation.

The carriage road from the base of the Great Blue Hill to Willard Street in West Quincy - 5 1/4 miles

Bridle-paths.

Path up the Great Blue Hill	1/2 mile	
Braintree Pass Path,	1 3/4 "	
Pine Tree Brook Path	1 1/4 "	
Babel Rock Path,	1/2 "	
Bouncing Brook Path	1 1/4 "	
Wildcat Notch Path,	1/2 "	
Hoosicwhisic Path,	1/4 "	
Three Hills Path,	1/4 "	
Dark Hollow Path	[illegible] "	
Doe Hollow Path.	3/4 "	
Total		7 3/4 "

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

Carriage roads:

Mountain Ave. to Washington Street	1/4 "	
Hayward Square Road -	1/8 "	
Woodland Road to Forest Street	1/2 "	
Forest Street to Brooks' Lane -	1/2 "	
Emerson Street to Pond Street -	3/8 "	
Total		1 3/4 "

Bridle Paths

North Dam to Great Neck	3/4 "	
East Dam to Forest Street	1/2 "	
East Dam to Little Neck -	1/2 "	
Hemlock Pool to Woodland Road	3/8 "	
Black Rock Path	3/8 "	
Total		2 1/2 "

Stony Brook Reservation

Bridle Paths

East Side Bridle Path	1 1/2

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West Side Bridle-Path 1/2 mile
Ciosa Over " " 1/8 "
Total 2/8 miles

Grand Total, —— 19 7/8 miles

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) H. S. Carruth.
Secretary.

Mr. P. A. Chase offered the following order;

Ordered:-- That the report of the Secretary be accepted and the recommendations and the recommendations adopted with the substitution of the sum of $10,000. in place of $20,000. as stated in said report. Lost.

On motion of Mr. Bacon it was

[illegible] Ordered; That that portion of the report of the Secretary relating to the fencing of the Reservation be referred back to the Secretary for a further and more detailed report, and that that portion relating to the work of the coming summer be referred back to the Secretary with instructions to report more in detail as to the work to be done and expense thereof in each portion of said work and a plan as to what could be done for the sum of $10,000.

[illegible] The Secretary submitted a statement of
1 the condition of the Metropolitan Park Loan showing a total expenditure of said Loan

Finances, Loan. amounting to $741,991.81 leaving a balance unexpended of $258,008.19.

[illegible] The Secretary submitted a communication
2 from Mr. Frank E. Chandler, dated April 10th, 1895, relating to the plowing of certain land and

E. Chandler seeding the same to grass, on the premises recently taken and paid for by this Commission

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. The [illegible] [illegible] was ordered placed on file and on motion of Mr. Casas it was

Ordered:-- That the matter be referred to the Secretary with full power.

Submitted draft of a letter addressed to Mr. [illegible] — The Secretary submitted a draft of a letter addressed to Mr. [illegible] S. Kendall [illegible] certain [illegible] in connection with land recently taken from said Kendall in the Beaver [illegible] Reservation, and on motion of Mr. Richards the Chairman was authorized to sign said letter and the Secretary was directed to forward the same to Mr. Kendall.

C. Kendall.

Matter of appointment of Claim Agent called up by Chairman — 2. The Chairman called up the matter of the appointment of a Claim Agent and reporting, the matter having been referred to him, naming Mr. John [illegible] as Assistant Secretary in charge of the adjustment of Claims against the Commission.

C. Secretary Assistant.

Mr. Casas moved that Mr. John [illegible] be appointed Assistant Secretary. Passed unanimously.

3. The Secretary made a report recommending the renting of room number 114 [illegible] Building, being the office adjoining the present offices of the Commission at a rent not exceeding $[illegible] per annum. On motion of Mr. Casas the following order was passed:—

C. Office. [illegible]

Ordered:— That the Secretary be authorized to conclude a lease for one year of the office number [illegible] [illegible] Building at an annual rental not exceeding $[illegible], one half of said office to be occupied by Messrs. [illegible] and [illegible] and the other half by the Claim Department of the Commission.

C. [illegible]. 4. The Secretary submitted a communication

Communication from County Commissioners of Middlesex

dated April 10th, from the County Commissioners of Middlesex relating to the repairs and reconstruction of Bacon Street in Winchester. The communication was referred to the Secretary.

Procure State flag for Blue Hills Reservation. 1
C. Flagg.

The Secretary was authorized to procure a State flag, similar to the one now used in the Middlesex Fells to be displayed upon a flag pole in the Blue Hills Reservation to be [illegible] by certain gentlemen in Dorchester.

Request from Rosewell B. Lawrence that weather flags be displayed. 2
C. Flagg. Weather.

The Secretary submitted a request from Mr. Rosewell B. Lawrence that weather flags be displayed upon the flag pole on "Bear" Hill in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, the Appalachian Mountain Club to supply the flags and the United States Government to telegraph to the nearest railroad station. The Secretary was instructed to reply to Mr. Lawrence stating that the Board regretted their inability, on account of lack of funds for this purpose, to comply with this request.

Secretary to have taking plans of both sides of Charles River ready for the next meeting. 3
C. C.R.R.

The Secretary was instructed to have the taking plans of both sides of Charles River ready for the taking of the lands by the Board at its next Meeting.

Adjourned at 4.45 to meet on Thursday April 18th, at 1.30 P. M.

A. S. Garrett Secretary.

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Report of the ninetieth (90th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, April 18th, 1895, at 1.30 P. M.

Present: All the members of the Commission.

20th [illegible] conz.— The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Number of men employed. The Secretary submitted the number of men employed as follows.—

Blue Hills Reservation.

5 Foremen. 90 Laborers.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

[illegible] Foremen. 77 Laborers.

Stony Brook Reservation.

3 Foremen, 34 Laborers.

Beaver Brook Reservation.

Superintendent, 1 Laborer.

Settlements submitted by Secretary. The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land, in the

Stony Brook Reservation.

c. Johann H. Frost 1 — Johann H. Frost, house and about [illegible] sq. ft. of land $3800.

c. Frederick J. Frost 2 — Frederick J. Frost, " " 10,000 sq. ft. of land 2500.

On motion of Mr. Lucas the above two settlements were approved and ordered [illegible].

West Roxbury Parkway.

c. Miss Alice Williams 3 — Miss Alice Williams, 113,285 sq. ft. of land for $8000.

On motion of Mr. [illegible] the Secretary was authorized to [illegible] the same [illegible].

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

c. Arvilla N. Stocker 4 — Arvilla N. Stocker, about 10 acres of land, $250. per acre.

On motion of Mr. Lucas the offer was declined.

Middlesex Fells Parkway.

c. William J. Driscoll 5 — William J. Driscoll, 6,028 square feet of land and house, $3800.

On motion of Mr. Lucas the above settlement was approved and ordered paid.

Communication Mr. John Woodbury. 6 — The Secretary submitted a communication from Mr. John Woodbury dated [illegible] 1895, accepting the position of Assistant Secretary. Ordered placed on file.

Communication from General Superintendent.

1 The Secretary submitted a communication from Mr. Wilfred Rackemann, General Superintendent, dated April 17th, accepting the offer of $2000. per annum for one year from May 1st. Ordered placed on file.

C. Salaries New Supt.

Secretary recommended destruction of certain dilapidated houses in Blue Hills Reservations.

2 The Secretary submitted a report recommending the destruction of the Houghton House, so-called; the old Puck house and a dilapidated house on [illegible] Street, all in the Blue Hills Reservation. On motion of Mr. Richards the report was accepted and the recommendations adopted.

C. Bldgs. B.H.R.

Secretary submitted report on condition of dams in [illegible] Reser.

3 The Secretary submitted a report on the condition of the dams in the Beaver Brook Reservation recommending that the Engineer of the Commission make an examination of said dams and report what in his judgment is necessary to be done. On motion of Mr. Casas the report was accepted and the recommendations adopted.

C. Dams.

Opinion of Law Dept. on matter of awards in cases already settled.

4 The Law Department submitted, through the Secretary, an opinion on the matter of making awards in those cases where private settlement had already been arrived at on account of claims arising from taking of land, stating that in the judgment of the Department it was not necessary that such awards should be made in such cases. On motion of Mr. Casas the report was accepted and ordered placed on file.

C. Awards.
C. Claims, Awards.

Request from Mr. [illegible] that fence be [illegible]

5 The Secretary submitted a request from Mr. Copeland of Milton, owning property adjoining the northern boundary of the Blue Hills Reservation, that a fence be constructed along the boundary between his property and that of the Commission. The Secretary was authorized to have a fence of reasonable expense constructed along said boundary.

C. Copeland.

Vote 1 April 18 1895 — The secretary submitted the following agreement between the city of Boston, Town of Winchester and the Commission.

Agreement between city of Boston, town of Winchester, and this Commission.

The City of Boston and the Inhabitants of the Town of Winchester, municipal corporations in the State of Massachusetts, and the Metropolitan Park Commission, for the purpose of increasing and preserving the purity of the water of the Mystic river, and for other purposes connected with the Mystic water-works of said city and for the purpose of removing a nuisance from said town, and for the purpose of providing a public park for the enjoyment of the citizens of this Commonwealth, on this April 8th, 1895, agree as follows:

1. Said city shall take certain lands on the westerly side of the Abbajona river between Walnut street and Mystic avenue, so called, in said town, and shall allow the Metropolitan Park Commission to use, improve and have charge of the same as part of the Metropolitan Parks.

2. Said Town of Winchester shall take by purchase or otherwise lands at and adjoining the first described lands and shall allow said Metropolitan Park Commission to use, improve and have charge of the same in like manner and said City of Boston is hereby relieved from the payment of any money to the Town of Winchester under the provisions of chapter three hundred and fifty-two of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three.

3. Said Metropolitan Park Commission shall assume the charge of said land and manage and use the same as a part of the public parks under its charge free from any assessment for care and maintenance

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except such as is required by law or as said town or city may voluntarily contribute, and shall not permit anything that may tend to render the waters of said river impure to remain in said river between the streets aforesaid or upon said land.

City of Boston by (Signed) Thos. F. Doherty.
" J. H. Leighton
" Chas. H. Smith.

Town of Winchester by " Jas. H. Winn
" Albert Ayer. Board of Selectmen.
" John L. Ayer.
" Edward H. Stone
" George H. Carter

Metropolitan Park Commission by " Charles Francis Adams.
" Philip A. Chase.
" William B. de las Casas.
" [illegible] L. Richards.
" William L. Chase.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Suffolk, ss: April 29, 1895.

Then personally appeared the above named Thos. F. Doherty, J. H. Leighton and Charles H. Smith and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be the free act and deed of themselves and of the City of Boston.

Before me,

(signed) [illegible] Frank Day,
Justice of the Peace.

On motion of Mr. Richards the agreement as given above was approved.

The Secretary was authorized to [illegible]

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[Marginal notes: Secretary to subscribe bids for construction of boundary road, land of A. L. Wyman; Secretary to write to [illegible] 1; C. [illegible]; Request from Mr. J. H. Long. 2; C. Frost Farm; Appropriations [illegible] 3; C. Roads; C. Parkway; [illegible]; Fells Parkway]

bids for the construction of the boundary road according to the agreement with Mr. Arthur L. Wyman in the Middlesex Fells Reservation.

On motion of Mr. [illegible] Chase the Secretary was instructed to write to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] in the [illegible] [illegible] estate at Crescent Beach, notifying him not to enter upon any contract or in any wise change the existing status quo of said property.

The Secretary submitted a request from Mr. J. H. Long that he be given a term of occupancy for the Frost farm, now occupied by him in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, and on motion of Mr. Dacas the Secretary was authorized to rent the said property to Mr. Long for a reasonable consideration.

The Secretary submitted a report [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in the various Reservations from May 1st to December 1st. The report was accepted and ordered placed on file and on motion of the Chair the following appropriations were made.

For the Blue Hills Reservation		[illegible]
Middlesex Fells	"	[illegible]
Stony Brook	"	[illegible]
Beaver Brook	"	[illegible]

The above amounts to be exclusive of police, superintendents or clerk salaries.

On motion of [illegible] [illegible] the following taking was passed.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners

April 18, 1895.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan

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Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to authorize construction of roadways and boulevards," being chapter two hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of the 1894, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said Act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, being the city government of Medford, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying in the City of Medford, in the County of Middlesex, and shown on plans marked "Plan of Taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission for the Middlesex Fells Parkway, Salem Street to Forest Street, Medford, Mass., Scale 100 feet to an inch, March 7, 1895, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, William T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 23, the original of which is to be recorded herewith, and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners; and bounded and described as follows, to wit,—

Beginning at a stake at a [illegible] of the intersection of the Southeasterly side line of [illegible] Street with the Southwesterly side line of [illegible] Lane, thence running Southeasterly, along said line, Thirty-two and thirty hundredths (32.30) feet to a stake; thence turning and running Southerly, curving to the East on a radius of One thousand five and twenty hundredths feet, One hundred two and five hundredths (102.05) feet to a stake at land of A. Crfein; thence curving still more to the East on a radius of Six hundred one and sixty hundredths feet, Two hundred twenty and eighty-five hundredths (220.85) feet to a stake in said land of Crfein; thence South 4° West, One hundred fifty-seven and seventy-three hundredths (157.73) feet to a stake in said land; thence Southerly, curving to the West, on a radius of Fifteen hundred eighty-two and seventy hundredths feet, One hundred thirty-three and fifty-three hundredths (133.53) feet to a stake; thence curving still more to the West, on a radius of Twenty-nine hundred seven and sixty hundredths feet, Two hundred thirty-seven and sixty-six hundredths (237.66) feet to a stake in said Love Lane; thence South 10° 1' West, Seventy-four and thirty-eight hundredths (74.38) feet to a stake at land of G. A. Guinn; thence curving to the East, on a radius of Four hundred fifty-nine and thirty-five hundredths feet, Three hundred twenty-eight and seventy-one one-hundredths (328.71) feet to a stake at land of heirs of F. C. Foster; thence curving still more to the East, on a radius of Eight hundred sixteen feet, Two hundred sixty-nine and eighty-five hundredths (269.85) feet to a stake at land of J. Kennison; thence curving to the East and North, on a radius of Twenty feet, Thirty-two and eighty-nine hundredths (32.89) feet to a stake in the Northwesterly side line of Fulton Street,

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thence Southeasterly across said street, Thirty-eight and twenty hundredths (38.20) feet to a stake in the Southeast side line of said street; thence curving to the South and East, on a radius of Twenty feet, Thirty-one and ninety hundredths (31.90) feet to a stake at land of G. I. Turner; thence Southeasterly, curving to the East on a radius of Eight hundred and sixteen feet, Eighty-one and fifty-two hundredths (81.52) feet to a stake; thence curving more Easterly, on a radius of Twenty-five hundred fifty-nine and ninety-one one-hundredths feet, Five hundred fifty-five and thirteen hundredths (555.13) feet, the line passing through lands of Fifield, Fitzpatrick and Davenport, to a stake; thence South 73° 27' East Five hundred thirteen and thirty-five hundredths (513.35) feet, passing through lands of Gray, Palmer and Abbott to a stake; thence Southeasterly, curving to the South, on a radius of Seventeen hundred five and eighteen hundredths feet, Four hundred ninety-three and ninety-eight hundredths (493.98) feet, passing through lands of Abbott and Lunde and Ayer, to a stake; thence South 56° 54' East One hundred thirty-two and seventy hundredths (132.70) feet to a stake; thence Southeasterly, curving to the East, on a radius of Fifteen hundred seventy-four and eighty hundredths feet, Five hundred seven and ninety-five hundredths (507.95) feet, passing through lands of Ayer, Smith, Dwire and Ayer, to a stake; thence South 75° 23' East One hundred seventy and thirty-eight hundredths (170.38) feet to a stake; thence Southeast, curving to the South, on a radius of Twenty hundred thirty-two and twenty-six hundredths feet, One hundred forty-seven and sixty-five hundredths (147.65) feet to a stake; thence curving to the East and North,

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hundredths (32.03) feet to a stake in the Westerly
side line of [illegible] Avenue; thence nearly Easterly
crossing said Avenue, Forty (40) feet to a stake in
the Easterly side line of said Avenue at land of
[illegible]; thence curving to the South and East,
on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty-nine and ninety-
two hundredths (29.92) feet to a stake; thence Easterly,
curving to the South, on a radius of Twenty hundred
thirty-two and twenty-six hundredths feet, Seventy-
three and seven hundredths (73.07) feet to a stake;
thence curving still more to the South, on a radius
of Seventeen hundred seventy-nine and thirty-[illegible]
hundredths feet, One hundred forty-four and eighty-
nine hundredths (144.89) feet to a stake at land
of Jacobs; thence curving still more to the South,
on a radius of Eight hundred sixty-five and twenty
hundredths feet, Forty (40) feet to a stake; thence
Easterly, by a straight line, crossing Cedar Cliff
Terrace, shown on said Plan, Two hundred thirteen
(213) feet, more or less, to a stake in the Southwesterly
side line of Salem Street; thence turning at an
acute angle, and running Southwesterly One hundred
ninety-four and forty hundredths (194.40) feet to a
stake in said side line of said Salem Street; thence
turning at an acute angle, and curving Southerly
and Westerly, on a radius of Twenty feet, Thirty-
eight and ninety-one one-hundredths (38.91) feet to
a stake; thence running Westerly, curving to the
South on a radius of Seven hundred forty-five
and twenty hundredths feet, One hundred thirty-
seven and seventy-three hundredths (137.73) feet
to a stake at land of [illegible]; thence Westerly
curving to the South, on a radius of Sixteen
hundred fifty-nine and thirty-five hundredths
feet, One hundred thirty-five and eleven hundredths

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(135.11) feet to a stake; thence Westerly, curving to the South, on a radius of Nineteen hundred twelve and twenty-six hundredths feet, Two hundred eighty-one and ninety-six hundredths ~~feet~~ (281.96) feet to a stake; thence North 75° 23′ West One hundred seventy and thirty-eight hundredths (170.38) feet to a stake in land of Straw; thence Westerly, curving to the North, on a radius of Sixteen hundred ninety-four and eighty hundredths feet Four hundred forty-seven and thirty hundredths (447.30) feet, passing through lands of Straw, of Picard and Badger Trustees, and of Scott, to a stake; thence curving to the West and South, in a radius of Twenty feet, Thirty-five and ninety-two hundredths (35.92) feet to a stake in the Easterly side line of Cherry Street, at land of Scott; thence Westerly Forty (40) feet, crossing said Cherry Street, to a stake in the Westerly side line of said street; thence curving to the North and West, on a radius of Forty-four and fifteen hundredths feet, Fifty-seven and two hundredths (57.02) feet to a stake at land of McGary; thence North 56° 54′ West, One hundred thirty-two and seventy hundredths (132.70) feet to a stake; thence Northwest, curving to the West, on a radius of Fifteen hundred ninety and eighteen hundredths feet, One hundred ninety-seven and twelve hundredths (197.12) feet to a stake at land of A. V. Lynde; thence curving to the West and South, on a radius of Twenty feet, Thirty-six and forty-seven hundredths (36.47) feet to a stake in the Easterly side line of Almont Street; thence Westerly, crossing said street Forty and ten hundredths (40.10) feet to a stake in the Westerly side line of said street; thence curving to the North and West, on a radius of Forty-five feet, Sixty-two and twenty-three hundredths (62.23) feet

to a stake at land of McO'Brien; thence Westerly, curving to the left, on a radius of Fifteen hundred ninety and eighteen hundredths feet, One hundred fifty-eight (158) feet to a stake at land of McLeod; thence nearly Westerly, in a straight line One hundred ten and sixty-eight hundredths (110.68) feet to a stake; thence curving to the West and South, on a radius of Twenty feet, Thirty-three and forty-nine hundredths (33.49) feet to a stake in the Easterly side of Paris Street; thence Northwesterly, crossing said street, Forty-one (41) feet more or less to a stake in the Westerly side line of said street; thence curving to the North and West, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty-nine and fifty-five hundredths (29.55) feet to a stake; thence North 73° 27' West, Two hundred seventy-five and seventy-one one-hundredths (275.71) feet to a stake at land of Sullivan; thence curving to the West and South, on a radius of Twenty feet, Thirty-three and thirty-five hundredths (33.35) feet to a stake in the Easterly side line of Park Street; thence Northwesterly, crossing said street, Forty and eighty hundredths (40.80) feet to a stake in the Westerly side line of said Park Street; thence curving Northerly and Westerly, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty-nine and twenty-four hundredths (29.24) feet to a stake in land of FitzPatrick; thence Westerly, curving to the North, on a radius of Twenty-six hundred seventy-nine and ninety-one one-hundredths feet, Five hundred forty-eight and seventeen hundredths (548.17) feet to a stake at land of Chandler; thence North 61° 2' West, Ninety-eight and eighty-four hundredths (98.84) feet to a stake; thence curving to the West and South, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty-nine and twenty-nine hundredths (29.29) feet to a stake in the Easterly side line of Fulton Street; thence Westerly, crossing said street, Forty-one (41) feet to a stake in the Westerly

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side line of said street; thence curving to the Northwest and West, on a radius of Twenty feet, Thirty-seven and two hundredths (37.02) feet to a stake; thence a little North of West, by a straight line, along the Southerly side of Valley Street Two hundred seventy-eight and eighty-four hundredths (278.84) feet to a stake; thence nearly Northerly, crossing said Valley Street, Fifty (50) feet to a stake in the Northerly side line of said street; thence curving to the East, North and Northwest, on a radius of Twenty and eighteen hundredths feet, Fifty-four and ninety-one one-hundredths (54.91) feet to a stake at land of J. Rennison; thence Northwesterly, curving to the North, on a radius of Four hundred fifty-four and fifty hundredths feet, Four hundred sixty and forty-nine hundredths (460.49) feet, passing through lands of Rennison, the heirs of Foster, and of Dexter, to a stake at land of Gibson; thence North 11° 12' East, One hundred thirty-one and fifty hundredths (131.50) feet to a stake; thence Northerly, curving to the West, on a radius of Six hundred seventy-two and forty hundredths feet, One hundred seventy and sixty-six hundredths (170.66) feet to a stake; thence North 3° 21' West, Ninety-two and nineteen hundredths (92.19) feet to a stake; thence North, curving to the East, on a radius of Eleven hundred fifty-two and sixty hundredths feet, Two hundred five and thirty-five hundredths (205.35) feet, to a stake at land of Orpin; thence North 6° 51' East Seventy-seven and fifty hundredths (77.50) feet, to a stake in said Southeasterly side line of said Forest Street; thence Northeasterly, along said Forest Street, Four hundred and six (406) feet to the point of beginning.

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and every tract, estate or parcel, or part thereof included within the foregoing description, or howsoever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Witness our hands, this eighteenth day of April, A. D. 1895.

Metropolitan Park Commission

On motion of [illegible] the following [illegible] was passed,—

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners

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Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled, "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act.

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature there-

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belonging, lying in Cambridge, in the County of Middlesex, and shown on plan marked "Plan of Taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission for the Charles River Reservation, Cambridge Cemetery to Cambridge Hospital, Cambridge, Mass. scale 100 feet to an inch, March 25, 1895, Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot, Landscape Architects, Wm. T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 24, the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows, viz:—

Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the line of mean high water mark on the left bank of the Charles River, with the Easterly boundary line of the Cambridge Cemetery belonging to the City of Cambridge; thence running Northwesterly, nearly Northerly, by said Cemetery, Eighty (80) feet to a corner; thence turning and running Northeasterly, by said Cemetery, Six hundred eighty-seven and ten hundredths (687.10) feet to an angle; thence more Easterly, Three hundred one and seventy hundredths (301.70) feet to a stone bound by a bending or broken line; thence more Northeasterly by a straight line Eighty-nine (89) feet to a stone bound; thence still more Northerly, by a straight line, to a stone bound; thence Northwesterly, to a stone bound, again Northerly to a stone bound, thence Northeasterly to a stone bound, all by said Cambridge Cemetery, Two hundred twelve and ten hundredths (212.10) feet to land of estate of James J. Coolidge; thence nearly Easterly by the same to a stone bound opposite the centre line of a ditch; thence Northeasterly by the same land One hundred thirty-seven and ninety-five hundredths (137.95) feet to a stake opposite the

head of a ditch; thence curving to the North and Westward on a radius of Twenty-three hundred and ninety feet, Seven hundred ten and forty hundredths (710.40) feet to a stake at land of said estate of Coolidge on the North side of a creek; thence curving still more to the West on a radius of Eight hundred twenty-six and thirteen hundredths feet, Eight hundred thirteen (813) feet to a stake at land of said estate; thence Northeasterly, at or nearly at a right angle Thirty-nine and six tenths (39.6) feet across a lane as shown on said plan to a stake; thence Southeasterly, at or nearly at a right angle, along land of said estate of said Coolidge Two hundred sixty-five and eighty-five hundredths (265.85) feet to a stake; thence still more Easterly, Ninety-eight and twenty-five hundredths (98.25) feet to a stake at the Westerly corner of land belonging to the Cambridge Hospital; thence Southeasterly, along said land, One hundred sixteen and four tenths (116.4) feet to a stake; thence by a broken line, passing through three stone bounds, as shown on said plan, running along said Cambridge Hospital land, Six hundred fifty-eight and five tenths (658.5) feet to a stake at the point formed by the intersection of mean high water line of said Charles River with said Southwesterly boundary line of said Cambridge Hospital land; thence Southwesterly, Southerly, Southeasterly, Southerly, Southwesterly and Westerly, crossing the mouths of one creek and two coves and of several ditches, all as said mean high water line runs on said left bank, Twenty-eight hundred ninety-five (2895) feet up stream, to the point of beginning. Also, all thatch, lands and flats that lie adjacent to the parcel above described between said high water line and extreme low

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water mark in Charles River and between the side lines of said described parcel, extended according to law to said low water mark.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof included within the foregoing description, or however otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Witness our hands, this eighteenth day of April, A. D. 1895.

Metropolitan Park Commission

C. Takings
L.P.T.

[illegible]

On motion of Mr. Richards the following act of taking was passed.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners,

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Taking Charles River Reservation – Arsenal Street to Cambridge [illegible] Watertown.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and in the behalf of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by

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[illegible], and [illegible] all the premises, rights, privileges, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, being two parcels lying in Watertown, in the County of Middlesex, and shown on plan marked, "Plan of Taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission for the Charles River Reservation, Arsenal Street to Cambridge Cemetery, Watertown, Mass., scale 100 feet to one inch, [illegible] 15, 1900, Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot, Landscape Architects, Wm. T. Pierce, Engineer," and "Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 25," the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commission, and bounded and described as follows, viz.:—

The first of said parcels is bounded, beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the mean high water line on the left bank of Charles River, with the Westerly boundary line of Cambridge Cemetery, which boundary line is also the division line between the City of Cambridge and the Town of Watertown; thence running Northwesterly, nearly Northerly, One hundred ninety-six (196) feet to a stake standing in said boundary line at land shown on said plan as of [illegible] Johnson, Wheelwright Scientific School; thence curving to the West and South, on a radius of Thirty-four hundred thirty-nine and ninety-four hundredths feet, Twelve hundred eighty-five and eighty hundredths (1285.80) feet, passing through said lands of Johnson and lands of estate of John Coolidge, crossing a creek or ditch, to a stake in land of Richard Drake; thence South 62° 44' West, by a straight line, Two hundred thirty-four and sixty-five hundredths ([illegible]) feet to a stake in land of [illegible]; thence curving to the [illegible] on a radius of [illegible] hundred thirty-five and eighty-six hundredths feet, [illegible] hundred thirty-five and [illegible] hundredths

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(35.70) feet, crossing a creek or ditch, to a stake
land of H. B. Goodenough in the Northeasterly
side line of Arsenal Street, this stake being Fifty
and eight tenths feet distant Southeasterly, measured
along said side line, from a stone bound standing
in said land of said Goodenough; thence turning
at an acute angle and running Southeasterly by
said side line of said street, crossing two ditches or
creeks, Eleven hundred fifty-nine and eight tenths
(1159.8) feet to a stake standing in said mean
high water line of said Charles River; thence
[illegible] by [illegible] course, crossing three creeks
or ditches, as said mean high water line runs,
[illegible] said left bank Fifteen hundred
and eighty-three (1683) feet to the point of beginning.

Second. A parcel on the Southwesterly side
of said Arsenal Street, between it and the Charles
River, bounded and described as follows, namely,—
beginning at a point formed by the intersection
of mean high water line of said Charles River,
on the left bank, with the Easterly boundary line
of land of the United States of America, shown
on said plan as United States Arsenal; thence
running Northerly, Three hundred seventy-five (375)
feet to a stake at the Northeasterly corner of said
land; thence running Westerly by said land by a
[illegible] line Two hundred Nineteen and seventy-three
hundredths (219.73) feet to a stake; thence Northerly
Four and thirteen hundredths (4.13) feet to a stake;
thence Northeasterly, curving to the East on a radius
of Thirty-two hundred seven and sixty-eight hundredths
feet Two hundred nine and twenty-eight hundredths
(209.28) feet to a stake at land of H. B. Goodenough;
thence Northeasterly, Northerly and Northwesterly by a
reverse curve with a radius of ten feet, Twenty-
five and seventy-eight hundredths (25.78) feet

a stake in said Southwest side line of said street; thence Southeasterly along said side line of said street Sixteen hundred twenty-three and eighteen hundredths (1623.18) feet to a point formed by the intersection of said southwesterly side line with said mean high water line; thence, at an acute angle, southwesterly up stream on said left bank on said mean high water line some three hundred thirty-nine (339) feet to a stake; thence nearly Southerly by the same Twenty-five (25) feet to a stake; thence Southwesterly, nearly Westerly, and Westerly, on said mean high water line same, up stream, on said left bank, crossing two creeks or ditches, Eight hundred ninety-four (894) feet to the point of beginning.

Also all thatch, lands and flats that lie adjacent to the parcels above described between said mean high water line and extreme low water mark in Charles River, and between the side lines of said described parcels extended according to law to said low water line.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof included within the foregoing description, or however otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Witness our hands, this eighteenth day of April, A.D. 1895.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

On motion of Mr. Richards the following act of taking was passed.

Takings 237.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners,

April 18, 1895.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan

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Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said Act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local boards, being the Boards of Park Commissioners for the Cities of Boston and Newton respectively, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, being two parcels, lying partly in Boston, in the County of Suffolk, and partly in Newton, in the County of Middlesex, and shown on plan marked "Plan of Taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission, for the Charles River Reservation, North Beacon Street to Nonantum Street, Boston and Newton, Mass., April 4, 1895. Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, William T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 30, the original of which is to be recorded herewith, and the duplicate of which is on file in the

[illegible] of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows, viz:—

First. Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the Northerly side line of the location of the Boston & Albany Railroad with the Easterly side line of land of Hannah C. Pearson in said Newton, nearly opposite the end of Nonantum Street; thence running Southeasterly, nearly Easterly, along said line of said location [illegible] hundred and thirty ([illegible]) feet to a stake; thence nearly Southerly, by a jog, Five (5) feet to a stake; thence Southeasterly, nearly Easterly, along said side line of said location Four hundred twenty-three and five tenths (423.5) feet to a stake at a point formed by the intersection of said line of said location with the boundary line between said City of Newton and the City of Boston; thence continuing, on the line of said location, Southeasterly, being a broken or bending line, Twenty one hundred eleven and three tenths (2111.3) feet to a stake; thence South 85° 54' East Six hundred seventy-two and thirty-five hundredths (672.35) feet to a stake; thence Easterly and Northeasterly, curving to the left, on a radius of Four hundred forty-one and forty-two hundredths feet, Three hundred twenty-five and nine tenths (325.9) feet to a stake in the Southwesterly side line of North Beacon Street; thence Northwesterly, by said side line One hundred forty-three and two tenths (143.2) feet to a stake; thence Northeasterly, by a jog, Eleven (11) feet to a stake; thence Northwesterly, still by said side line, Five hundred and seven (507) feet to a point formed by the intersection of said side line with mean high water line on the right bank of Charles River; thence Southwesterly, Westerly, Northwesterly, Westerly and Southwesterly, crossing three creeks, [illegible]

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stream on said right bank of said river, Twenty-six hundred and thirty (2630) feet to a stake at a point formed by the intersection of said mean high water line with said boundary line between Newton and Boston; thence Westerly, by said mean high water line, up stream, on said right bank, Twenty hundred and nineteen (2019) feet to said land of Pearson; thence Southwesterly, along said land, by a fence, Two hundred and fifteen (215) feet to the point of beginning.

"Second". Beginning at a stone bound in the Northeasterly side line of North Beacon Street, in said Boston; thence running Northwesterly by said side line Four hundred and ninety-eight (498) feet to mean high water line on the right bank of said Charles River; thence Northeasterly and Easterly, along said mean high water line, down stream, crossing a creek, Seven hundred and sixty-nine (769) feet to the centre line of another creek; thence nearly Southerly, by said last-named centre line One hundred and sixty-eight (168) feet to a stake in said centre line at land of the Butchers' Slaughtering and Melting Association; thence Westerly and Southwesterly, in part by the centre line of another creek or ditch Two hundred and thirty (230) feet to a stake; thence Southwesterly, more Southerly, by a straight line, One hundred seventy-two and seventeen hundredths (172.17) feet to the first named stone bound.

Also all lands, thatch, and flats that lie adjacent to the parcels above described, between said mean high water line and extreme low water mark in Charles River, and between the side lines of said described parcels extended according to law to said low water mark.

according to law, and hereby taking any and every such estate or interest or part thereof, included within the foregoing description, or however otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Witness our hands, this eighteenth day of April, A. D. 1895.

"Metropolitan Park Commission."

c. Taking, RR.

On motion of Mr. Richards the following taking was passed.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners,

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Watertown.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled, "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the

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purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, being two parcels, lying in Watertown, in the county of Middlesex, and shown on plan marked, "Plan of Takings by the Metropolitan Park Commission for the "Charles" River Reservation, Riverside Street to North Beacon Street, Watertown, Mass., scale 100 feet to an inch, March 25, 1895, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, Wm. T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 26, the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows, viz.:—

The first parcel is bounded, beginning at a point formed by the intersection of mean high water line of Charles River, on its left bank, with the Southerly side line of Riverside Street; thence running nearly Easterly, by said side line, Forty and seventy-five hundredths (40.75) feet to a stake; thence Southeasterly, by said side line One hundred twenty-five and eighty-four hundredths (125.84) feet to a stake at land of William C. Howard; thence South 45° 49' West along said land of Howard, One hundred five and ten hundredths (105.10) feet to a stake; thence South 9° 6' 30" East along the same, Twenty-seven and eighty-six hundredths (27.86) feet to a stake; thence curving Southeasterly and Easterly, on a radius of Fifteen hundred thirty-nine and fifty-eight hundredths feet, passing through land of Wade C., Horace L. and George E. Fowler, land of Mary A. Russell, land of Amelia W. Eldridge, land of John and Margaret Elliott and across Irving Street shown on said plan, in all Fourteen hundred fourteen and fifty-nine hundredths (1414.59) feet

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to a stake in land of said Amelia H. [illegible]; thence curving to the Southeast and East, [illegible] [illegible] hundred twenty and thirty [illegible] feet, passing through land of said [illegible] and land of [illegible] estate Nine hundred sixty-six and ten hundredths ([illegible]) feet to a stake; thence curving still more Easterly, on a radius of Thirty-two hundred fifty and two hundredths feet, Six hundred ninety-five and thirty-three hundredths (695.33) feet to a stake standing in land shown on said plan as of said Town of Watertown; thence curving to the East and Northeast, on a radius of Fourteen hundred nineteen and thirty-one one-hundredths feet, Six hundred sixty-one and seventy-five hundredths ([illegible].75) feet to a stake in land of John E. Cassidy; thence South [illegible]° 30' 16" East Nine hundred six and twenty-seven hundredths (906.27) feet to a stake in land of said Cassidy; thence curving to the Northeast, North and Northwest, on a radius of twenty feet, Forty-seven and five hundredths (47.05) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of North Beacon Street; thence Southeasterly, along said side line One hundred eight and thirty-three hundredths (108.33) feet to land of the United States of America; thence Southerly, by said land One hundred twenty-eight and five-tenths (128.5) feet to a stake at a point formed by the intersection of the Westerly boundary line of said last named land with said mean high water line of said Charles River on its left bank; thence Southwesterly, Southerly, Southwesterly, more Southerly, Southwesterly, Southerly, Westerly, Northwesterly, Southwesterly, Northwesterly and Northerly, by said mean high water line, up stream, on said left bank in the same winds and curves, crossing one cove and one ditch or creek, Fifty-four [illegible]

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thirty four and eight tenths (5+34.8) feet to the point of beginning.

Second. Two islands shown upon said plan as belonging to said John E. Cassidy, lying Southerly of said land of the United States of America and Southwesterly of said North Beacon Street, and between said land and said street on the one end and the main channel of Charles River on the other, the same being shown upon said plan as bounded by mean high water mark of said river, this Taking including, however, the whole of both said islands together with all land whether under water or not, and flats appertaining thereto.

Also all thatch, lands and flats that lie adjacent to the parcel fust above described, between said mean high water line and extreme low water mark in Charles River and between the side lines of said fust described parcel extended according to law to said low water line.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof, included within the foregoing description or howsoever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Witness our hands this eighteenth day of Apiil, A. D. 1895.

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C. Takings.
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Taking No. 26

Taking Charles River Reservation Longfellow Meadows to Western Avenue Boston.

On motion of Mr. Richards the following act of Taking was passed.

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In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners,

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Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the

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Metropolitan Park Commission, acting under the authority of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, entitled "An Act to ~~establ~~ establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described, for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, being the Board of Park Commissioners for the City of Boston, have taken and do hereby take, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying in the City of Boston, in the County of Suffolk, and shown on plan marked "Plan of Taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission, for the Charles River Reservation, Longfellow Meadow to Western Avenue, Boston, April 4, 1895, Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot, Landscape Architects, William T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 21, the original of which is to be recorded herewith, and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows,—

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Beginning at a stake in the southeast side line of Western Avenue, Two hundred thirty-five and sixteen hundredths feet distant Southeasterly from the Northwesterly face of the nearest abutment of the bridge over Charles River; thence running Southeasterly, along said side line of said Avenue, Ninety and six hundredths (90.06) feet to a stake at an angle; thence a little more Easterly by said side line Fifty-four and seventy-four hundredths (54.74) feet to a stake; thence Northwesterly, Northerly and Northeasterly curving to the right on a radius of Fifteen feet, Thirty-one and forty-eight one-hundredths (31.48) feet to a stake; thence North 38°21'20" East, Fifty-five and two one-hundredths (55.02) feet to a stake at land of Brighton Real Estate Association; thence North, curving more Easterly, on a radius of Six hundred ninety-three and fifty-two hundredths feet, Six hundred eighty-one and eighty-four hundredths (681.84) feet to a stake at land of John H. Hollis; thence South 85° 18'50" East Four hundred thirty-nine and five tenths (439.5) feet to a stake at land of James A. Hathaway; thence curving a little Northerly, on a radius of Fifty-eight hundred eighty-one and ten hundredths feet, Eleven hundred forty-one and seven hundredths (1141.07) feet to a stake at land of Jaques Brothers; thence curving still more to the North, on a radius of Sixty-five hundred fifty-seven and seventy-eight hundredths feet, Sixteen hundred ninety-six and forty-seven hundredths (1696.47) feet to a stake at land of Frederick H. Rindge; thence North 68°44'50" East Two hundred (200) feet to the centre line of a ditch or creek, at a point formed by the intersection of boundary lines of land of the City of Boston on the South and land of the President and Fellows of Harvard College, called the "Longfellow Meadows" on the North; thence running Northwesterly, Westerly, Northwesterly and Southwesterly Six hundred

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and eighteen (618) feet by said centre line to a point; thence at an acute angle, Northeasterly by said centre line, Four hundred and ninety-seven (497) feet to a point at the mouth of said creek formed by the intersection of said centre line with mean high water line of Charles River; thence Westerly and Southwesterly, crossing two creeks, by mean high water line on the right bank of Charles River, up stream, Thirteen hundred seventy-eight (1378) feet to land of said Jaques Brothers; thence Southwesterly by same Two hundred and eighty-six (286) feet, by said mean high water line to a stake; thence Northerly by a jog Ten (10) feet; thence Southwesterly by same land by the outer face of a wall One hundred sixty-two and six tenths (162.6) feet to a bolt at a corner of said wall; thence Southwesterly across the end of a slip Forty (40) feet to a bolt in another wall, at said mean high water line; thence Westerly by said mean high water line, being a straight line, Fifty and five tenths (50.5) feet to a stake; thence Southwesterly, Westerly, Northwesterly, Southwesterly and still more Southerly, by said mean high water line, on the right bank of said Charles River, up stream, Twenty-three hundred and twenty-five (2325) feet, crossing the mouths of two creeks, to a stake at land of G. A. Fuller; thence nearly Southerly, by said Fuller land, One hundred ten and fifty hundredths (110.50) feet to a stake; thence Southwesterly, by a straight line, Two hundred fifty-four and twenty-five hundredths (254.25) feet to a stake at land of said Fuller; thence Southwesterly, but more Southerly, Sixty and seventy hundredths (60.70) feet to the first named stake in the Northeast side line of said Western Avenue.

Also all thatch, lands and flats that

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adjacent to the parcel above described, between said mean high water line and extreme low water mark in said Charles River, and between the side lines of said described parcel extended according to law to said low water line.

Intending to take, and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof included within the foregoing description, or howsoever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Witness our hands, this eighteenth day of April, A.D. 1895.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

c. Takings. C.R.R.

Taking No. 29.

On motion of Mr. Richards the following Act of Taking was passed.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, April 18, 1895.

Taking Charles River Reservation Cambridge Street to North Harvard Street Boston.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described, for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said Act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said Act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise

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enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local Board, being the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, being two parcels, lying in the City of Boston, in the County of Suffolk, and shown on plan marked "Plan of Taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission, for the Charles River Reservation, Cambridge Street to North Harvard Street, Boston, Mass., April 1, 1895, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, William T. Pierce, engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 29, the original of which is to be recorded herewith, and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows, viz:-

First. Beginning at a stake, at a point formed by the intersection of the Northerly side line of Cambridge Street in the Brighton District of said Boston, with mean high water line on the right bank of Charles River; thence running Southwesterly, along said side line of said Street South 77° 3' 20" West, Sixty-six and thirty-seven hundredths (66.37) feet to a stake; thence turning at an acute angle Northeasterly and Northerly, curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty-seven and forty-four hundredths (27.44) feet to a stake; thence North 0° 26' 50" East Sixty-four and nineteen hundredths (64.19) feet to a stake; thence curving Eastwardly, on a radius of Thirteen hundred seventy-five and twenty-one one-hundredths feet, One hundred ninety-nine and sixty-five hun-

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dredths (199.65) feet, crossing a ditch, to a stake in land of Irving B. Frost; thence North 8° 47' East, Three hundred sixty-two and two one-hundredths (362.02) feet, crossing a ditch, to a stake in land of Timothy Corey; thence curving a little to the West, on a radius of Ninety-eight hundred eleven and twenty-seven hundredths feet, Two hundred seventy-three and ninety-eight hundredths (273.98) feet, crossing a creek, to a stake at land of James C. Whitten on the Southerly side of a ditch; thence North 7° 11' East, crossing a ditch and another creek, One hundred ninety-three and twenty-three hundredths (193.23) feet to a stake in the Southerly side line of Western Avenue; thence Easterly, along said side line, Two hundred ten and three tenths (210.3) feet to a stake at land of J. P. Nourse and R. Gillespie; thence South, One hundred twenty-one (121) feet to a bolt in the Southerly face of the wall or pier on said land; thence Southwesterly, across a slip or creek Ninety-four (94) feet to a stake in mean high water line on the Southerly side of said creek or slip; thence by said mean high water line Forty (40) feet to a stake; thence Southerly a little Westerly by a straight line, being a dotted line on said plan Two hundred and thirty (230) feet to a stake in said mean high water line; thence down stream on said right bank by said mean high water line, crossing two creeks or ditches Six hundred forty-one and eight tenths (641.8) feet to the point of beginning. Also all thatch, lands and flats that lie adjacent to the parcel above described, between said high water line and extreme low water mark in Charles River, between the side lines of said described parcel, extended according to law, to said extreme

low water mark.

Second. A parcel bounded, beginning at a stake in the Northerly side line of Western Avenue, one hundred eighty-seven (187) feet distant Westerly from mean high water line on the right bank of Charles River; thence Northeasterly and Northerly, curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty feet, Thirty-one and forty-nine hundredths (31.49) feet to a stake at land of Henry P. Walcott; thence curving Westerly, on a radius of Eleven hundred forty-eight and eight hundredths feet, crossing three ditches, Six hundred seventy-nine and eighty-seven hundredths (679.87) feet to a stake at land of heirs of James R. Lowell; thence still more Westerly, curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty-three hundred and eighty-nine hundredths feet, Nine hundred ninety-three and ninety-two hundredths (993.92) feet, crossing a ditch, to a stake at land of Charles E. Willard's heirs; thence North 51° 30' 30" West, Four hundred eighty-seven and ninety-one one-hundredths (487.91) feet to a stone bound in the Southerly side line of North Harvard Street; thence Northeasterly, along said side line One hundred seventy-five (175) feet to its intersection with said mean high water line; thence Southeasterly, by a broken line, being said mean high water line, Two hundred fifty-four (254) feet to a stake; thence Southwesterly by a jog, by said mean high water line Eleven (11) feet to a stake; thence Easterly by said mean high water line Eleven hundred and twenty-four (1124) feet, crossing a creek or cove and two ditches, to a stake; thence Southeasterly, Southerly and Southwesterly by said mean high water line, crossing two ditches, a creek, and two other ditches Fifteen hundred and four (15

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feet, (said last named four measurements running down stream on the right bank of said Charles River) to said Northerly side line of said Western Avenue; thence North, 82° 37' West, One hundred eighty-seven (187) feet to the point of beginning.

Also all lands, thatch, and flats that lie adjacent to the parcel last above described, between said mean high water line and extreme low water mark in Charles River, and between the side lines of said described parcels extended according to law to said low water mark.

Intending to take, and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof included within the foregoing description, or however otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Witness our hands, this eighteenth day of April, A. D. 1895.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

C. Takings, M.D.P.

Taking No. 31

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the following Taking was passed.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners,
April 18, 1895.

Taking of Mystic [illegible]

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, entitled "An Act to authorize construction of roadways and boulevards," being chapter two hundred and eighty-eight of

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the Acts of the year 1894, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said Act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, being the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Winchester, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, being four parcels lying in the Town of Winchester, in the County of Middlesex, and shown on plan marked "Plan of Taking for the Mystic Valley Parkway, Winchester Section, by the Metropolitan Park Commission, March 28, 1895, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, Charles D. Elliot, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 3, the original of which is to be recorded herewith, and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows, viz.: —

First. The first of said parcels is bounded, beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the centre line or thread of the Aberjona River with the southeasterly side line of Walnut Street, thence running down stream,

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along said centre line or thread of said Abbajona River, as the same winds and turns, Southerly, Southeasterly, Southerly, Southwesterly, Westerly and Southwesterly, until it reaches a point between upland of Alexis Cutting on the Southeast and the uppermost of two islands (both shown on said plan), on the West; thence continuing Southwesterly, but more Westerly, by said centre line or thread and the same line continued, to the Southeasterly side line of the location of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation, shown on said plan; thence Southwesterly, nearly Southerly, by said side line of said location, Two hundred and fifty (250) feet to a point formed by the intersection of said side line with the Northerly side line of Mystic Avenue, shown on said plan, or of Mystic Avenue extended Westerly to said location; thence South 88° 35' East, Two hundred and sixty-one and fifty-two one-hundredths (261.52) feet to a stake in said side line of said Avenue; thence turning back at an acute angle, curving Westerly and Northwesterly, on a radius of Eight and sixty-four hundredths feet, Fifteen (15) feet to a stake at the point of change of curve; thence Northerly and Northeasterly, curving to the right, on a radius of Three hundred and ninety feet, Three hundred two and fifty-nine hundredths (302.59) feet to a stake at point of tangency; thence North 55° 21' East, Two hundred and sixty-three (263) feet to a stake in the line between land of Alexis Cutting on the West and Henry W. Symmes on the East; thence North 76° 17' East, One hundred eighty-eight and three tenths (188.3) feet to a stake in the line between said Symmes

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and Hannah M. Parker; thence South [illegible]° [illegible]' East, Three hundred twelve and five tenths (312.5) feet to a stake in land of said Parker; thence South 74°20' East, Seventy (70) feet to a stake at land of the Unitarian Society; thence [illegible]° 30' [illegible], [illegible]-four and two tenths (94.2) feet to a stake at land of the Town of Winchester; thence North [illegible]° [illegible]' West, Seventy-four and fifty-five hundredths (74.55) feet to a stake at land of Maria L. Johnson; thence North [illegible]° [illegible]' West Seventy four and thirty five hundredths (74.35) feet to a stake at land of the First Congregational Society; thence in the same course, Seventy-two and five tenths (72.5) feet to land of [illegible] Ripley; thence in the same course, eighty-eight (88) feet to a stake at land of Clara Shepard; thence North [illegible]° 55' West, Eighty-eight and thirty-nine hundredths (88.39) feet to a stake at land of said Shepard; thence in the same course, One hundred eight and nine tenths (108.9) feet to a stake at land of [illegible] Palmer and H. M. Parker; thence Northerly a little Westerly, curving to the right on a radius of [illegible] hundred and eighty-two hundredths feet, Two hundred sixty-four and forty-two hundredths ([illegible]) feet to a stake at point of change of curve; thence North-easterly and Easterly curving to the right on a radius of Nine and sixty-seven hundredths feet, Fifteen and fifty-one one-hundredths (15.51) feet to a stake in the Southwesterly side line of Main Street; thence turning at a right angle and running Northwesterly along said side line of said Main Street sixteen and eighty hundredths ([illegible].80) feet to a stake; thence Westerly and South-westerly curving to the right on a radius of Eighteen and fifty-one one hundredths feet, Twenty-five and forty-nine hundredths (25.49) feet to a stake in the Southeasterly side line of [illegible] Street; thence

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Southwesterly along said side line, being a straight line, One hundred thirty-nine and forty-one one-hundredths (139.41) feet to a stake; thence along said side line Westerly, curving to the right on a radius of One hundred seventy-six and eighty-eight hundredths feet, Fifty-nine and eighty-four hundredths (59.84) feet to a stake at land of D. G. and R. C. Hawes; thence on the same curve, Eighty-six and one tenth (86.1) feet to the point of beginning. Comprising lands taken from said D. G. and R. C. Hawes, containing 19,950 square feet; from said G. I. Palmer and H. M. Parker 35,150 square feet in one parcel, and 46,700 square feet in another parcel; from Clara Sheppard 1077 square feet; from F. L. Ripley 5195 square feet; from First Congregational Society 6385 square feet; from Maria L. Johnson 6090 square feet; from the Town of Winchester 6690 square feet; from the Unitarian Society 7045 square feet; from Hannah M. Parker in one parcel 5015 square feet, and in another parcel 26,650 square feet; from Henry G. Symmes 17,990 square feet; from Alice Cutting 73,312 square feet in one parcel, and 5714 square feet in the lowermost of said two islands, all exclusive of lands covered by water in said river; also a small parcel believed to be of said Cutting or of said Railroad corporation bounded Westerly by said line of location; Southerly by said Mystic Avenue and Easterly by said centre line or thread of said stream.

Expressly excepting, however, from the Taking above described, all right, title and easements of the Commonwealth in or under the described parcels or either of them, for purposes of a sewer.

Second. Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the Southerly side line of

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Mystic Avenue, or said line extended Westerly, with the
centre line or thread of said Mystic River; thence
running Southerly, Southeasterly, Southerly and Southwesterly,
by said centre line or thread in the same course and
turns about Twelve hundred (1200) feet to a point
formed by the intersection of the Southeasterly side
line of Bacon Street with said centre line or thread;
thence South 54° 56' East, Twenty-six (26) feet to a
stake in said side line; thence South 51° 2' East,
Two hundred fifty eight and seventy-two hundredths
(258.72) feet to a stake in said side line at point
of curve; thence turning back at an acute angle
and curving to the right on a radius of Ten
and eighty-eight hundredths feet, Sixteen and
seventeen hundredths (16.17) feet to a stake at
point of reverse of curve; thence Northerly and
Northwesterly curving to the left on a radius of Six
hundred ninety one and six hundredths feet, Two
hundred eighty-three and forty-four hundredths (283.44)
feet to a stake at point of change of curve; thence
still more Westerly curving to the left on a radius
of Seventeen hundred and twenty feet, Two hundred
seventy one and thirty six hundredths (271.36) feet to
a stake at point of tangency in land of Charles
F. Symmes; thence North 30° 49' West, fifty eight and
thirty five hundredths (58.35) feet to a stake at point
of curve; thence Northerly and Easterly, curving to the
right, on a radius of Six hundred ten and fifty-six
hundredths feet, Two hundred twenty six and
eighty-nine hundredths (226.89) feet to a stake at
point of change of curve; thence more Easterly
curving to the right on a radius of Nine and
ninety-two hundredths feet, Fifteen and seventy-five
hundredths (15.75) feet to a stake in the Southerly
side line of Mystic Avenue at point of tangency;
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running Southwesterly nearly Westerly, on said side line of said Mystic Avenue, or the same line extended, to the bank of said river and into the stream Two hundred and twenty-two (222) feet to the point of beginning. Containing lands taken from Francis J. O'Hara, 44,658 square feet and from Charles T. Symmes 155,210 square feet, exclusive of lands under water in said river.

Third. Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the Southwesterly side line of Bacon Street with the Northwesterly side line of an un-named street or way shown on said plan, thence running Northwesterly along said side line of said Bacon Street, One hundred eighty-seven and eighty hundredths (187.80) feet to a stake in said side line; thence bending to the left and running a little more Westerly along said side line, crossing the Abbajona River, Forty-eight and eighty-six hundredths (48.86) feet to a stake; thence bending still more to the West and running along said side line, being a straight, Three hundred and twenty (320) feet to the Easterly side line of the location of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation; thence turning and running Southwesterly, again more Westerly, again more Southerly, and again more Westerly, by said side line of said location, being a broken line, crossing said Abbajona River, to a stake at an angle formed by a jog in the line of said location; thence South 25° 59' East, Two hundred twenty-seven and fifteen hundredths (227.15) feet to a stake in land of estate of George H. Chapman; thence North 66° 30' East, Two hundred five and thirty hundredths (205.30) feet to a stake in the angle formed by a corner in said un-named street; thence North 58° 16' East, on two measurements; One hundred

ninety-eight and nine hundredths (98.09) feet and two hundred seventy-four and twenty-six hundredths (274.26) feet respectively to the point of beginning. Comprising lands taken from Edmund Symmes, 29,380 square feet and from said estate of George H. Chapman 78,430 square feet, exclusive of lands under water in said river.

Also a narrow strip taken from same as owners unknown lying between said Bacon Street and said river. Expressly excepting, however, from the takings described in this third clause all right, title and easements of the Town of Winchester in or under the described parcels or any of them, for purposes of a sewer, the same being indicated upon said plan by dotted lines marked "Winchester Sewer."

Fourth. A parcel lying between Bacon Street and upper Mystic Lake on the West side of said railroad, bounded, beginning at a stake in the southwesterly side line of said Bacon Street at land of Granville V. Niles shown on said plan, thence South 54° 49' East, One hundred and ninety-seven and eighty-three one-hundredths (197.83) feet to a stake in said side line, which is distant westerly from the [illegible] of the location of said railroad Seventy-five (75) feet, measuring along said side line of said Street; thence South 10° 21' West, through land of said Niles, One hundred sixty-eight and thirty-five hundredths (168.35) feet to a stake; thence South 50° 24' East, Seventy-five (75) feet to a stake in said Westerly side line of said location; thence Southerly and Westerly, curving to the right, on a radius of twenty-eight hundred ninety-seven and sixty-five hundredths feet, Two hundred and forty-seven (247) feet to a point formed by the intersection of said side line of said location with the center line or thread of the Aberjona River; thence

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Westerly and Southwesterly, along said centre line or thread, down stream, as the same winds and turns, to a point formed by the intersection of said centre line or thread with the Southwesterly side line of Bacon's Road, so-called, shown on said plan, extended Northwesterly to meet said centre line; thence Northwesterly, along said extension of said side line, to the Northwesterly bank of said river; thence Southwesterly, Westerly and Northerly, by Upper Mystic Lake, by extreme low water mark, to land of Ann Bacon; thence Northeasterly and Northerly, curving to the left, on a radius of Five hundred feet, Two hundred sixty-three (263) feet to a stake at land of said Niles; thence on the same curve One hundred forty-seven and sixty-seven hundredths (147.67) feet to a stake at land of said Niles; thence curving Northerly and Westerly, on a radius of Nine hundred fifty-five and thirty-seven hundredths feet, Two hundred nineteen and fifty-five hundredths (219.55) feet to a stake at land of said Niles; thence Northerly and Easterly, on a reverse curve, with a radius of Two thousand feet, Three hundred thirty and thirty-seven hundredths (330.37) feet to the point of beginning.

Comprising land taken from said Lowville S. Niles, 115,739 square feet, and from said Ann Bacon, about 21,542 square feet, exclusive of land under water in said river and in said lake. Expressly excepting, however, from the taking described in this fourth clause all right, title and easements of the Commonwealth in or under the described parcels or any of them, for purposes of a sewer, the same being indicated upon said plan by dotted lines marked "Metropolitan Sewer."

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel of real estate, included within the foregoing description or otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less. All ownerships herein alleged are supposed to be correct, but are given only as matters of information and belief.

Witness our hands, this eighteenth day of April, A.D. 1895.

Metropolitan Park Commission

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the following Taking was passed.

Taking of Mystic Valley Parkway, Arlington, Medford and Winchester Section.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners.

April 18, 1895.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, entitled "An Act to authorize construction of roadways and boulevards," being chapter two hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of the year 1894, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said Act,

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said Act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local boards being the Boards of Selectmen of the ~~the~~ Towns of Arlington and Winchester, [illegible]

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the city government of the City of Medford, have taken and do hereby take, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, being three parcels, lying partly in the towns of Arlington and Winchester, and partly in the city of Medford, all in the County of Middlesex, and shown on plan marked "Plan of Taking for the Mystic Valley Parkway, Arlington, Medford and Winchester Section, by the Metropolitan Park Commission, March 28, 1895, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, Charles D. Elliot, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 32, the original of which is to be recorded herewith, and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows, viz:—

First. The first of said parcels, lying partly in Medford and partly in Winchester, is bounded,— beginning at a point in the Northerly side line of High Street ~~and~~ in said Medford, at its intersection with the Easterly bank of the Mystic River, thence running Easterly Twelve (12) feet to a stake in said side line; thence Easterly, curving to the left, on a radius of Three hundred twenty-five and forty-eight hundredths feet, Ninety-nine and thirty hundredths (99.30) feet to a stake in said side line; thence North 77° 29' East, One hundred seventy-five and forty hundredths (175.40) feet to a stake in said side line; thence turning back at an acute angle, curving Westerly and

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Northerly, on a radius of Fifty-five and seventy-five hundredths feet, Thirty-seven and thirty-[illegible] hundredths (37.3[illegible]) feet to a stake in land of [illegible] of Frances Burke; thence more Northerly, curving to the right, on a radius of Twenty-one and seven hundredths feet, Twenty-seven and seventy-nine hundredths (27.79) feet to a stake; thence North 4° 10' East, Seventy-five (75) feet to a stake; thence Northerly, curving toward the West, on a radius of Fifteen hundred feet, Two hundred (200) feet to a stake; thence more Westerly, curving to the left, on a radius of Nine hundred and twelve feet, Three hundred (300) feet to a stake over the Mystic Water Works Conduit, as shown on said plan; thence more Westerly, curving to the left, on a radius of Twenty-six hundred feet, Two hundred forty and fifty-two hundredths (240.52) feet to a stake; thence North 46° 21' East, Thirty-two and forty-eight hundredths (32.48) feet to a stake; thence North 11° 36' West, Two hundred and sixty (260) feet to a stake; thence North 1° 54' East, Two hundred fifty-seven and ten hundredths (257.10) feet to a stone bound; thence North 56° 25' West, Two hundred fifty-two and fifty-nine hundredths (252.59) feet to a stake; thence Northwesterly, curving to the left, on a radius of Two hundred eighty-seven and forty-two hundredths feet, One hundred eighty-seven and three hundredths (187.03) feet to a stake; thence on a reverse curve, Northerly, on a radius of One hundred thirteen and forty-nine hundredths feet, One hundred twelve and forty-four hundredths (112.44) feet to a stake; and Easterly or Northeasterly, on a radius of One hundred forty-four and seventy-nine hundredths feet, One hundred fifteen and ninety-nine hundredths (115.99) feet to a stake; thence North 23° 58' East, Twenty

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(70) feet to a stake; thence Northerly and Northwesterly, curving to the left, on a radius of One hundred sixty-one and ninety-five hundredths feet, One hundred thirty-two and fourteen hundredths (132.14) feet to a stake; thence Northerly 7° 47' West, Eighty (80) feet to a stake; thence Northerly, curving to the right, on a radius of Four hundred five and sixty-seven hundredths feet, One hundred thirty-six and eighty-nine hundredths (136.89) feet to a stake; thence Northerly 1° 33' East, Two hundred sixty and fifty-one one-hundredths (260.51) feet to a stake; thence Northerly 11° 37' West, Six hundred twenty-nine and twenty hundredths (629.20) feet to a stake; thence North 9° 12' East, Ninety-four (94) feet to a stake; thence North 52° 9' East, One hundred sixty-eight and ninety hundredths (168.90) feet to a stake in the Westerly side line of the location of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation; thence in a general Northerly direction, curving to the right, by said side line of said location, crossing the town line between said Medford and said Winchester, about Thirty hundred and seventy five (3075) feet to a stake at an angle; thence Northwesterly, still by said side line, Eighty-two and five tenths (82.5) feet to a stone bound at an angle; thence Northwesterly, forming an acute angle with said side line of said location Two hundred forty-one and six tenths (241.6) feet, crossing the line of the Metropolitan Sewer shown on said plan, to a stone bound at land of the City of Boston; thence Northwesterly, but more Westerly, Three hundred seventy-two and nine-tenths (372.9) feet to a stone bound at land of said City of Boston; again Northwesterly by the same land Forty-nine and

ninety-two hundredths (49.92) feet to a stone bound; thence Southeasterly, by the same land, One hundred three and seventy hundredths (103.70) feet to a stone bound on the shore of Upper Mystic Lake; thence Southwesterly, by the shore of Upper Mystic Lake, Three hundred and eighteen (318) feet to a stone bound at other land of said City of Boston; thence Southwesterly, along same land Fifty-one and ninety-six hundredths (51.96) feet to a stone bound; thence Southwesterly, along same, through two stone bounds, by two measurements in all Two hundred fifty-two and seventy-four hundredths (252.74) feet to the shore of said Upper Mystic Lake; thence Southwesterly, Southwesterly, Southwesterly, Southeasterly, Southerly, Easterly, Southerly, Southwesterly, Westerly, Southeasterly, more Southerly, Easterly, Southeasterly, Southerly, Southwesterly, Southerly, Southwesterly, Southeasterly, more Easterly, Southwesterly and Westerly, all as the shore of said Upper Mystic Lake winds and turns to land of the City of Boston, as shown on said plan; thence Southeasterly, along said land of the City of Boston, Sixty-five (65) feet to a stake at point of curve; thence Southeasterly more Easterly, curving to the left, on a radius of Five hundred eighty-five and twenty-nine hundredths feet, Two hundred eighty-two and thirty-two hundredths (282.32) feet to a stake; thence by same land, Forty and eighty-seven hundredths (40.87) feet to a stake at an angle; thence Southwesterly, by same land, about Sixty-five (65) feet to the shore of Lower Mystic Lake; thence Southeasterly, more Southerly, Southerly, Southwesterly, Southwesterly, Easterly, Southeasterly, Easterly, Southerly, Southeasterly, Southerly, Southwesterly, Southerly, Southeasterly, Southerly,

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Southeasterly, more Southerly, still more Southerly, Southwesterly and Southerly, by the shore of Lower Mystic Lake, and by the shore of Mystic River, as the same wind and turn, to the point of beginning.

Also so much land lying between the shores of said Lakes and said river, as shown on said plan, and extreme low water mark in said lakes and said river respectively, as lies adjacent to the described premises and may lawfully be conveyed to taken together therewith.

Second. Also an island in said Upper Mystic Lake, together with all land under water and all riparian rights adjacent or appurtenant thereto, marked upon said plan as of Peter C. Brooks.

Said first described parcel comprising premises taken from the estate of Francis Brooks, from Peter C. Brooks, and from Sarah M. Bacon.

Expressly excepting, however from the Taking above described all right, title and easements of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the City of Medford, or the Town of Winchester, or any other public body or authority, in or under the described parcels or either of them, for the purposes of sewers or otherwise, the same being indicated upon said plan by dotted lines, and marked respectively, "Metropolitan Sewer," "Metropolitan and Mystic Valley Sewers," and "Mystic Water Works Conduit."

Third. A parcel lying in said Arlington, bounded, — Beginning at a point in the Northerly side line of High Street in Arlington, on the shore of the Mystic River, thence running North 85° 2' West, Seventy-three (73) feet to a stake in

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said side line, at land of Jeremiah Russell; thence North 40°47' East, Two hundred and ten (210) feet to a stake at an angle; thence North 50°44' West, Four hundred and forty-two (442) feet to the shore of Lower Mystic Lake; thence Northeasterly, Southwesterly, Southeasterly, Southerly, Easterly, Northeasterly, Southerly, Easterly, Southerly, Southwesterly, and Southerly, as the shore of said Lower Mystic Lake and the shore of Mystic River wind and turn, to the point of beginning; together with all land under water and all riparian rights adjacent or appurtenant thereto, to extreme low water mark in said river and said lake; comprising one parcel taken from Jeremiah Russell, containing 81,300 square feet, exclusive of land under water in said lake and said river.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof, included within the foregoing description, or howsoever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less. All ownerships herein alleged are supposed to be correct, but are given only as matters of information and belief.

Witness our hands, this eighteenth day of April, A. D. 1895.

Metropolitan Park Commissioners.

Adjourned at 4.50 P.M. to meet on Friday, April 26th, at 1.30 P.M.

W. S. [illegible] Secretary.

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Report of the ninety-first (91st) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 [illegible] Building,

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Boston, Friday, April 26th, 1895, at 1 P.M.

Present, Messrs P. A. Chase, Casas, Richards and W. L. Chase.

Mr. P. A. Chase was elected Chairman pro tempore.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary submitted number of men employed. The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows;

Blue Hills Reservation,
4 Foremen, 75 Laborers
Middlesex Fells Reservation
4 Foremen, 67 Laborers
Stony Brook Reservation,
3 Foremen, 30 Laborers.
Beaver Brook Reservation,
superintendent, 1 Laborer.

Settlements submitted by Secretary. 1 The Secretary submitted the settlement of the claim of

Alvan L. Lovejoy for 2½ acres of land in Melrose, in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, for $400. On motion of Mr. Casas the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land in the West Roxbury Parkway.

Marie L. Crowell. 2 Marie L. Crowell, 21,765 sq. ft. of land; corner of Beech Street and Ananan Avenue, with two houses, for $11,000. On motion of Mr. Casas the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

George A. Day, 3 George A. Day, 14,600 square feet of land for $1,460. On motion of the Chairman the matter was laid over.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements for land taken in the Braintree Entrance of the Blue Hills Reservation.

Nathaniel M. Safford 4	Nathaniel M. Safford,	6½ acres,	$100. an acre.
Paul J. Minchin 5	Paul J. Minchin	6 "	50. " "
Hiram A. French 6	Hiram A. French	4 "	50. " "

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[illegible] Estate 1 — [illegible] Estate — [illegible] — [illegible]
Edward [illegible] 2 — Edward [illegible] — [illegible] — [illegible]
[illegible] Estate 3 — [illegible] Estate — [illegible] — 20.
C.A. Belcher 4 — C.A. Belcher — [illegible] — [illegible]

On motion of Mr. Richards the above settlements were approved and ordered paid.

In the Pine Tree Brook Entrance

Heirs of Nathan Crossman 5 — Heirs of Nathan Crossman, — Exact area unknown
E.D. Wadsworth 6 — E. D. Wadsworth — about 2 acres.
Charles Copeland 7 — Charles Copeland, — " 2 "

30. an acre each.

On motion of Mr. Casas the above three settlements were approved and ordered paid.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements in the Middlesex Fells Parkway, Malden Section—

Kate Tallent 8 — Kate Tallent, 7894 feet, and building, $3850.
Emma F. Easterbrook 9 — Emma F. Easterbrook, 13,317 feet, 2700.

On motion of Mr. Casas the above settlements were approved and ordered paid.

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C. Williams — The Secretary submitted a communication from [illegible] Williams rejecting the proposition made by this Board $7500. for 113,285 square feet of land in the West Roxbury Parkway and offering to settle the same for the sum of $[illegible]. On motion of the Chairman the matter was referred to Mr. [illegible] Chase.

11 [illegible]
C. Bartlett — The Secretary submitted a communication from G. D. Bartlett offering to settle his claim for certain lands taken in the Stony Brook Reservation for [illegible] per acre. On motion of the Chair the above matter was laid over.

Adjourned at [illegible] P.M.

A. S. [illegible] Secretary.

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Report of the ninety-second (92nd) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Monday, April 29th, 1895, at 1.30 P.M.

~~Report~~ Present, The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase, Curtis and H. L. Chase.

Mr. Charles S. Rackemann appointed Secretary pro-tempore.

Mr. Charles S. Rackemann was appointed temporary Secretary.

1 C. Benedict

The purpose of the meeting was to consider and act upon a proposed taking of the Hotel Strathmore property on Crescent Beach. This property lies very near the Crescent Beach station, between Beach Street and Shirley Avenue, and is owned chiefly by one Washington G. Benedict.

O. T. Takings
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Taking No. 35

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the following act of taking was passed.

Taking - Revere Beach Reservation - Strathmore Hotel property.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners.
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Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described, for the purpose of an open space for exercise and recreation, under the powers and limitations set forth in said Act and in any and all Acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto;

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the

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authority conferred upon us by said Acts and each of them, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, being the Board of Park Commissioners for the Town of Revere, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said Acts, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, with all buildings and structures thereon, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying in the Town of Revere, in the County of Suffolk, and shown on plan thereof marked "Metropolitan Park Commission, Initial Taking Plan of Revere Beach, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, 1895, William T. Pierce, engineer", being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 35, the original of which is to be recorded herewith in Suffolk Registry of Deeds, and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows, viz:—

Northeast by the Southwesterly side line of Beach Street, and the same line extended Southeastwardly to extreme low water mark of the Atlantic Ocean; Southeasterly by said extreme low water mark; Southwesterly by the Northeasterly side line of Shirley Avenue and the same line extended Southeastwardly to extreme low water mark; and Northwesterly by the southeasterly side line of the location of the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company. Comprising lands supposed to be of Washington P. Benedict in part, and in part of owner or owners un-

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Known:

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof included within the foregoing description, or howsoever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Witness our hands, this twenty-ninth day of April, A.D. 1895.

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Concurrence

Mr. Rackemann, as Counsel, submitted a form of concurrence for the local Park Board, which was read by the Chairman.

Adjourned at 2.25 P.M.

Charles S. Rackemann,
Secretary pro-tem.

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Report of the ninety-third (93rd) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Thursday, May 2nd, 1895, at 1. P.M.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The reading of the records of the last two meetings was postponed until the next meeting.

Secretary submitted number of men employed
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The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows:--

Blue Hills Reservation,
4 Foremen, 68 Laborers,
Middlesex Fells Reservation,
4 Foremen, 52 Laborers,
Stony Brook Reservation
3 Foremen, 26 Laborers
Beaver Brook Reservation
1 Superintendent, 1 [illegible]

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Settlements submitted by Secretary 1.

The Secretary submitted the following [illegible] settlements:

Middlesex Fells Parkway

Francena J. Gilman 1 — Francena J. Gilman 16,302 sq. ft. and building [illegible]
Thomas J. Townsend 2 — Thomas J. Townsend 6,16[illegible] " " [illegible]

On motion of Mr. Chase the above two settlements were approved and ordered paid.

West Roxbury Parkway

Cornelius Cooper 3. — Cornelius Cooper 2,715 sq. ft. and damage [illegible]
Joseph Stanley 4. — Joseph Stanley 9,589 " " " " [illegible]
Isabella Cooper 5. — Isabella Cooper 7,448 " " [illegible]
James Stanley 6. — James Stanley 27,442 " " [illegible]
[Heirs] of Benj. Brown 7. — Heirs of Benj. Brown 85,880 " " [illegible]

On motion of Mr. A. L. [illegible] the above settlements were approved and ordered paid.

Beaver Brook Reservation

E. W. Stevens 8. E. W. Stevens, on account of land standing in the name of Henry F. Campbell, 5. acres, $2,500.

On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was authorized to settle for a sum not exceeding $2,000.

Report of Engineer on Beaver Brook dams, referred to sub committee Beaver Brook Reservation 9. [Dams] — The Secretary submitted a report by the Engineer on the Beaver Brook dams which was referred to the sub-committee on the Beaver Brook Reservation.

Secretary to give thirty days notice to vacate houses in Middlesex Fells Parkway 10. Buildings — The Secretary was instructed to give thirty days notice to vacate all houses in the Middlesex Fells Parkway.

Deed of Arthur L. Lyman for balance [of land] referred to Secretary 11. [A. L.] Lyman — The Secretary gave notice of the receipt of a deed from Mr. Arthur L. Lyman for the balance of land taken from him and not yet paid for, and proposed to be abandoned, in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. Referred to the Secretary.

Meetings 12. — Mr. P. A. Chase offered the following order which was passed.

Regular meetings of Board to be held on Wednesday at 1.30

Ordered: -- That the regular meetings of the Board be held on Wednesday of each week at 1.30 P.M unless otherwise ordered by the Chairman.

Adjourned at 1.50 to meet on Wednesday, May 8th at 1.30 P.M

A. S. Bennett Secretary.

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Report of the ninety-fourth (94th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Wednesday, May 8th, 1895, at 1.30 P.M

Present, The Chairman, Messrs P. A. Chase, Lucas and Richards.

The records of the ninety-first, ninety-second and ninety-third meetings were read and accepted.

Secretary reported number of men employed.

The Secretary reported the number of men employed, as follows:—

Blue Hills Reservation

[illegible] Foremen, [illegible] Laborers.

Middlesex Fells Reservation

4 Foremen, 37 Laborers,

Stony Brook Reservation,

2 Foremen, 21 Laborers,

Beaver Brook Reservation,

1 Superintendent, 1 Laborer.

Settlements submitted by Secretary.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land, in the

Blue Hills Reservation.

Sarah D. and Josephine M. Beck. 1

Sarah D. Beck and Josephine M. Beck, 10 acres, $801. per acre. On motion of Mr. Lucas the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

John Brown. 2

John Brown, 4 acres, $350. On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the settlement was approved and

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ordered paid.

West Roxbury Parkway.

c. Lawrence McQueeney | Lawrence McQueeney, 4,000 feet of land $360.

c. Dennis J. O'Leary | Dennis J. O'Leary 4,000 " " " 360.

On motion of Mr. Casas the above settlements were approved and ordered paid.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

c. Frank J. Wells 3. Frank J. Wells, about 1,800 feet of land in Winchester, $400. and $400. damage to remaining estate. On motion of Mr. Casas the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

4. In the matter of the 10 acres belonging

c. Mrs. Stocker to Mrs. Stocker on Main Street, Stoneham, the proposition to settle the same for $250. per acre was again brought to the attention of the Board and on motion of Mr. Casas was declined.

5. The Secretary submitted a settlement for about 14 acres of land taken from Mr. L. S.

c. L. S. Conant Conant, in the Blue Hills Reservation in Vol. 2, 42 made by the Law Department with the counsel for Mr. Conant. On motion of Mr. Richards the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

6. The Secretary submitted a request from

Request from Mr. A. Hemenway that two bath houses be erected at Hoosicwhisick Pond referred to Secretary. | Mr. Augustus Hemenway that two bath houses be erected for public use on Hoosicwhisick Pond. On motion of the Chairman the

C. B.H.R. matter was referred to the Secretary with instructions to report as to style and cost of the bath houses which would meet the requirements of the public at the present time.

7. The Secretary reported to the Board an

Offer of from one to two thousand cubic yards of filling [illegible] Winchester | offer by the Selectmen of the town of Winchester of from one to two thousand cubic yards of filling to be delivered free within

c. Materials Filling | the limits of the Mystic Valley Parkway

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in Winchester. On motion of Mr. [illegible] the Secretary was authorized to accept the same.

Communication from Selectmen of town of Stoneham
C. Roads & Sts. [illegible]
C. " " [illegible]

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Selectmen of the town of Stoneham requesting this Board to take the public streets now existing within the Middlesex Fells Reservation in the town of Stoneham and to maintain the same. The Secretary was instructed to report the number of miles of public streets where property has been taken upon both sides by this Commission in each of the Reservations.

Communication from General Superintendent in relation to accident insurance
2
C. Accidents, Industrial

The Secretary submitted a communication from the General Superintendent relating to the question of accident insurance in the case of those men who are required to use dynamite in the various Reservations. On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the Secretary was authorized to cause an expenditure sufficient to insure on the basis of $1000. not exceeding ten men in the various Reservations.

Two bills for employees for time during sickness caused by accident on the [illegible]
3
C. Accidents, Industrial

The Secretary submitted two bills for employees in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for time during sickness caused by accidents upon the work. The Secretary was instructed to notify the General Superintendent that such claims could not be allowed.

C. Takings by B.R.
C. R.B.R.
[illegible] to prepare taking plans of Kings Beach
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On motion of Mr. Chase the Secretary was directed to prepare taking plans for so much of Kings Beach in Lynn as is approved by the Landscape architects and all of Kings Beach in Swampscott from the Lynn line to Blackwells Cliff.

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Board of [illegible] Commissioners of the town of Swampscott requesting this Board to take by eminent domain "Kings Beach" from the Lynn line to its eastern limit. The [illegible] then agree to receive and [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] property. see margin IV On motion of Mr.

C. Takings, R.B.R.
C. R.B.R.
5.
[illegible] to prepare [illegible] [illegible]

Chase the Secretary was directed to prepare

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taking plans for the Revere Beach Reservation from Pontus Avenue near Beachmont to the southerly line of the Point of Pines property according to the plans of the Landscape Architects.

[illegible]
[illegible]
Trask, E. T.
[illegible]

On motion of Mr. Baxter the following order of taking was passed:

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners,
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[illegible]
from E. T. Trask
[illegible]

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act;

Now therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, being the Board of Park Commissioners for the city of Quincy, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements pertaining

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and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying in the City of Quincy, in the County of Norfolk, and shown on plan marked "Plan of Taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission, from E. V. Trask, for the Blue Hills Reservation, *** April, 1895, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, William T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 33, the original of which is to be recorded herewith, and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows, viz.:—

Southerly in part by the Eastern Section, so-called, of Blue Hills Reservation, established by a Taking by said Commission, dated December 29, 1893, and recorded with Norfolk Deeds, Book 706, page 601, and accompanied by Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 6, recorded with said Taking, and in part by Willard Street, in all One hundred forty and twenty-three hundredths (140.23) feet; Easterly by the Westerly side line of said Willard Street, Eighty-seven and ninety-two hundredths (87.92) feet to a stake in land of said Trask; thence turning back at an acute angle and running Southerly and Westerly, curving to the right, on a radius of Fifty feet, Thirty-four and seventy-six hundredths (34.76) feet to a stake; thence in the same direction, on a radius of One hundred eighty-three and thirty-nine hundredths feet, One hundred forty-eight and One one-hundredths (148.01) feet to a stake at a point formed by the meeting of this last described line with the Northerly boundary line of said Eastern Section; containing by estimation, 2980.5 square feet, be the same

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more or less.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate, or parcel or part thereof, included within the foregoing description, or how-soever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Witness our hands, this eighth day of May, A.D. 1895.

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Secretary to advertise for proposals [illegible] boundary road between Middlesex Fells Reservation and land of A.L. Lyman.

1 The Secretary was authorized to advertise for proposals for the construction of the portion of the boundary road between the Middlesex Fells Reservation and the land of A.L. Lyman in Winchester.

E. Roads & Sts. M.F.R.

[illegible] from Washington G. Benedict.

Benedict

A communication, without date, was received

2 from Mr. Washington G. Benedict expressing a wish to lease the property recently taken from him by this Board at Crescent Beach within the lines of the Revere Beach Reservation. The Secretary also submitted a proposal from F. D. Lawrence to lease the land for advertising purposes. The Secretary was instructed to reply to Mr. Benedict and to state to him that the Board had received other proposals for the use of said property and that the matter was under advisement.

Adjourned at 4.30 P.M.

[illegible], Secretary.

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Record of the ninety-fifth (95th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, numbers 111, 112 and 113 Ames Building, Boston, Wednesday, May 15th, 1895, at 1.30 P.M.

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Present, All the members of the Commission.
The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary submitted number of men employed.

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows:—

Blue Hills Reservation,
4 Foremen, 39 Laborers,
Middlesex Fells Reservation,
4 Foreman, 30 Laborers,
Stony Brook Reservation
3 Foremen, 16 Laborers,
Beaver Brook Reservation
1 Superintendent, 1 Laborers.

Settlements submitted by Secretary

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land,

West Roxbury Parkway,

Alice Williams 1 — Alice Williams, 113,285 square feet, $8000.
Harriet L. Adams 2 — Harriet L. Adams, 4,168 " " 375.12
Harriet L. Adams, C. A. Taylor and H. T. Damon. 3 — " " ", C. A. Taylor and H. T. Damon, 23,000 square feet, $2070.
Daniel S. Meserve 4 — Daniel S. Meserve, 833 square feet, 175.

On motion of Mr. H. L. Chase the above settlements were approved and ordered paid.

Blue Hills Reservation.

E. V. Trask. 5 — E. V. Trask, 1 1/4 acres in the Eastern Section, $75. On motion of the Chair the above settlement was approved and ordered paid.

Stony Brook Reservation

6 On motion of Mr. H. L. Chase the Secretary was authorized to settle the claim of G. A. Bartlett for about 4 acres for not exceeding $100. per acre.

Beaver Brook Reservation.

7 H. F. Campbell. — The Secretary was authorized to settle the claim of H. F. Campbell for 5.70 acres for a sum not exceeding $2500.

The Secretary submitted the following

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Reports from Assistant Secretary

[illegible]Reports from the Assistant Secretary -- In the matter
1 of [illegible].146 acres taken from Ellen L. Wellington in
[illegible] [Me]dford the Assistant Secretary recommended authorizing
him to settle for the sum of $5000, and rights
[illegible] the boundary road. On motion of Mr. C.
R. Chase the matter was referred to Mr. Casas
with authority to settle for a sum not exceeding
2 $5000. In the matter of the land of Lydia
Lydia L. Blood L. Blood, consisting of 2 1/2 acres of land in
Winchester, the Assistant Secretary recommended
that he be authorized to settle for a sum not
exceeding $400. On motion of Mr. Casas the
Secretary was authorized to effect said settle-
ment at the above price. In the matter
James Briggs 3 of the land of James Briggs, being 17,800 feet on
Park Avenue extension in Winchester, the Assistant
Secretary recommended that he be authorized
to settle for five cents a foot and on motion
of Mr. [illegible] the recommendation was refused.
Mrs. M. A. B. Allen 4 In the matter of the land of Mrs. M. A. B. Allen,
being 10,130 feet on the Park Avenue extension
in Winchester, the Assistant Secretary recom-
mended a settlement for a sum not to ex-
ceed $600, and on motion of Mr. Casas, the
Secretary was authorized to settle for the above
amount.

C. Takings, B.P.F. 5 On motion of the Chair the following
order of taking was [passed].

Taking No. [illegible]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners,

May 15, [illegible]

Taking of [illegible]

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and
qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park
Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of
an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of

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Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said Act,

Now, Therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us in said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, being the Board of Park Commissioners for the town of Milton, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said act, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and the easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, lying in the Town of Milton, in the County of Norfolk, and shown on plan marked "Plan of Taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission for the Blue Hills Parkway, Canton Avenue to Blue Hills Reservation, Milton, Mass. Scale 100 feet to an inch. April 25, 1895, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, William T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 34, the original of which is to be recorded herewith, and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows, viz:—

Beginning at a stake in the Southerly side line of Canton Avenue in Milton, being the point referred to in the taking for the Blue Hills Parkway between the Neponset River and said Canton Avenue, dated March 15, 1895, and accompanied by Metro-

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politan Park Commissioners thereto, both of which are hereby referred to; thence running Northeasterly, by said side line, Sixty and fifty-three hundredths (60.53) feet, to a stake in said side line; thence turning back at an acute angle, and curving Southerly and Easterly, on a radius of Twenty feet, Thirty-one and ninety-six hundredths (31.96) feet to a stake; thence Southeasterly and Southerly, on a reverse curve with a radius of Seven hundred twenty-two and ninety-five hundredths feet, Four hundred forty-three and thirty-four hundredths (443.34) feet to a stake in land of Horatio A. Lamb; thence more Southerly, curving to the right, on a radius of Twelve hundred six and seventy-nine hundredths feet, Three hundred thirty-four and sixty-six hundredths (334.66) feet to a stake; thence South 24° 22' 10" West, One hundred eighty-six and twenty-five hundredths (186.25) feet to a stake; thence Southwesterly and Southerly, curving to the left on a radius of Seven hundred thirty-five and sixty-one one-hundredths feet, Four hundred forty-four and twenty-four hundredths (444.24) feet to a stake; thence South 1° 57' 20" West, One hundred fifty-two and eight hundredths (152.08) feet to a stake; thence Southerly and Southwesterly, curving to the right, on a radius of Twelve hundred thirty-one and ninety-four hundredths feet, crossing a brook, Four hundred thirty-nine and twenty-nine hundredths (439.29) feet to a stake in land of the town of Milton, known as the "Poor Farm"; thence South 22° 23' 10" West, Two hundred eight and two hundredths (208.02) feet to a stake; thence Southwesterly and Southerly, curving to the left, on a radius of Seven hundred eighteen and seventeen hundredths feet, Two hundred eighty five and ninety-two hundredths (285.92) feet to a stake,

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hundredths feet, Seven hundred sixty-one and eighty-two
hundredths (761.82) feet [illegible] boundary line, to a
stake; thence turning back at an acute angle, and running
Easterly and Northerly, on a radius of Ninety feet, Sixty-
nine and ninety-eight hundredths (69.98) feet to a stake;
thence North [illegible] East, One hundred fifty [illegible]
and eighty-eight hundredths ([illegible]) feet to a stake;
thence Northeasterly and Easterly, curving to the right,
on a radius of One hundred seventy [illegible] and [illegible]
hundredths feet, One hundred eighty-one and seventeen
hundredths (181.17) feet to a stake; thence [illegible]
Easterly, curving to the right, on a radius of Two
hundred forty-three and forty-seven hundredths feet,
Two hundred twenty-five and seventy-nine hundredths
(225.79) feet to a stake; thence South [illegible] East,
Fifty-nine and fifty-three hundredths (59.53) feet to
a stake; thence [illegible] Easterly, curving to the
left, on a radius of Seven hundred eighty-one and
twenty-two hundredths feet, One hundred forty-
three and eighty-one hundredths (143.81) feet
to a stake; thence [illegible] and [illegible],
curving to the left, on a radius of Two hundred
twenty and sixty-five hundredths feet, Three hundred
thirty-five (335) feet to a stake; thence [illegible]
and Northwesterly, curving to the left, on a
radius of Three hundred forty [illegible] and [illegible]
hundredths feet, Two hundred five and sixty-six
hundredths (205.66) feet, [illegible], to a
stake [illegible] land of said [illegible], the
said lines and measurements between said
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
running through land of said [illegible]; thence
North 12° [illegible] West, One hundred forty-[illegible] and ninety-
seven hundredths ([illegible]) feet to a stake; thence
Northerly, curving to the right, on a radius of
One hundred eight and [illegible] hundredths feet

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One hundred ninety four and twelve hundredths (194.12) feet to a stake in land of said heirs of said Whitney; thence Northerly, more Easterly, curving to the right on a radius of Seven hundred fifty-two and ninety five hundredths feet, crossing a wall, Three hundred twenty five (325) feet, to a stake in land of one Freeman; thence Northerly, more Easterly, curving to the right, on a radius of Two hundred forty-two and sixty-seven hundredths feet, Four hundred twenty-three and twenty-five hundredths (423.25) feet, to a stake in other land of said heirs of said Whitney; thence North 45° 20' East, Two hundred fifty-four and ninety-two hundredths (254.92) feet to a stake; thence Northerly, more Northerly, curving to the left, on a radius of Thirteen hundred twenty and ninety-one one-hundredths feet, Eight hundred fifty two and eighty-eight hundredths (852.88) feet, crossing a wall, to a stake in land of Henry Kendall et al; thence North 24° 59' West, Eight hundred seventy-six and thirteen hundredths (876.13) feet to a stake; thence North 65° 39' 50" West, One hundred twenty-nine (129) feet to a stake; thence Northwesterly and Northerly, curving to the right, on a radius of Three hundred forty-three and eighty three hundredths feet, Three hundred sixty two and twenty-nine hundredths (362.29) feet; thence North 5° 17' 30" West, One hundred twenty-seven (127) feet to a stake; thence Northerly, curving to the left, on a radius of Twelve hundred forty-four and eighty-five hundredths feet, Two hundred ninety-eight and fifty-six hundredths (298.56) feet to a stake; thence North [illegible] West, Two hundred thirty-four and seventy-three hundredths (234.73) feet to a stake in land still of said Henry Kendall et al; thence Northerly, curving to the right, on a radius of Fourteen hundred twenty-eight and fifty-two hundredths feet, Three

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hundred sixty three and seventy six hundredths (3[illegible].76) feet, crossing a creek, to a stake in land of [illegible] Samuel [illegible]; thence Northerly, curving to the right, on a radius of Five hundred seventy four and [illegible] hundredths feet, Three hundred ninety-three and seventy-three hundredths (393.73) feet to a stake; thence North 60°25'30" East Five hundred and thirty-five feet to a stake; thence Northerly, curving to the left, on a radius of Three hundred four and sixty-eight hundredths feet, One hundred seventy one and ten hundredths ([illegible]) feet, to a stake in the Westerly side line of said [illegible] Street, in land of said Safford; thence North 40°50'20" East, crossing said Street obliquely, One hundred five and eight hundredths ([illegible].08) feet to a stake in the Easterly side line of said Street at land of said Safford; thence turning back at an acute angle, and curving Southerly, Easterly and Northeasterly, on a radius of Thirty-one and fourteen hundredths feet, Eighty and thirty-four hundredths (80.34) feet to a stake in land of said Safford; thence Northeasterly and Northerly, curving to the left on a radius of Seventeen hundred seven and seventy hundredths feet, Four hundred eighty-three and fifty-eight hundredths (483.58) feet to a stake in land of Hannah M. Blackman; thence North 40°4' East Forty-seven and eighty-one hundredths (47.81) feet to a stake; thence Northerly, curving to the left on a radius of Seven hundred and ninety-nine feet, One hundred eighty-eight and eighty-eight hundredths (188.88) feet to a stake; thence curving sharply to the left, on a radius of Thirty feet, Sixty and sixty-three hundredths (60.63) feet to a stake in said Southerly side line of said [illegible] Avenue; thence North 60°45' East by said side line Four hundred seventy nine and [illegible]

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[illegible]dths (279.11) feet to a stake in said side line referred to in said Prior Taking for said Blue Hills Parkway; thence curving to the right, on a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty-five and seventy-nine hundredths (25.79) feet to a stake; thence Northeasterly and Northwesterly, by a reverse curve, on a radius of One hundred and forty feet, Three hundred fifty-nine and five hundredths (359.05) feet to a stake; thence turning to the right, on a reverse curve, with a radius of Twenty feet, Twenty-five and sixty-three hundredths (25.63) feet to the point of beginning.

Excepting, however, from the foregoing Taking the rights of the Public as now existing in, over and under the location of said Harland Street shown on said Plan, the same being now ~~in~~ a Public highway.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof included within the foregoing description, or howsoever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Witness our hands, this fifteenth day of May, A. D. 1895.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

Communications from Washington G. Benedict.
[illegible] Benedict

1 The Secretary submitted two communications from Mr. Washington G. Benedict, one dated May 10, the other May 15th, requesting that he be given a lease of the property recently taken from him at Revere Beach. On motion of Mr. C. A. Chase the Secretary was instructed to reply to Mr. Benedict that the Board is not ready at the present time to negotiate in any way for the property recently taken at Revere Beach.

Secretary to reply to Mr. Benedict.

2 The Secretary submitted a [illegible] [illegible]

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[illegible] Mr. Gallagher of Revere to lease the [illegible] building upon the Shattuck Hotel property on Revere Beach for a rental of $150(?) [illegible] per annum. The communication was referred to the committee on Revere Beach with full power.

Mr. P. A. Chase offered the following order which was passed:-

Shattuck(?) — Secretary to [illegible]

Ordered:- That the Secretary be instructed to have the site of the Shattuck Hotel put in condition for public use this summer, provided the Revere Selectmen agree to grant proper police protection.

2 A communication was received from the landscape architects, dated May 15th, relating to the erecting of bath houses at Hemenway(?) End, in the Blue Hills Reservation, and Revere Beach. Ordered placed on file.

C. Bath Houses B.H.R. — C. Bath Houses R.B.

The Secretary submitted a request from the Selectmen of Winchester that this Board [illegible]

3 [illegible] by said Selectmen for use in the Mystic Valley Parkway. On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the Secretary was instructed to reply to the Board of Selectmen of Winchester that this Board would pay a sum not to exceed ten cents per load for [illegible].

The Secretary submitted a communication

4 from Mr. F. C. Winchester(?) relating to a certain historic spot connected with the last Indian living in the vicinity of the Winchester section of the [illegible] Reservation, suggesting the desirability of erecting a tablet setting forth the relevant facts connected therewith. On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the whole matter was [illegible] to the Chair with full power.

M.V.P.

5 The Secretary submitted a communication from John D. Hakes(?), dated Boston May 9th, regarding

John W. Hahn. a desired addition to the Charles River Reservation. On motion of Mr. Richards the matter was referred to the Landscape Architects.

[illegible] 1 The Secretary submitted to the Board a request [illegible] Mr. Edwin F. Atkins relating to the construction of a path in the Beaver Brook Reservation following approximately the line of Mill Street. The Board voted to visit the said Reservation on Saturday next, May 18th, and to defer action until a future meeting.

C. Paths. F.B.R.

Question of restriction upon land of Miles

2 The Secretary submitted a question of the restriction upon the land of Miles, omitted from the takings for the Mystic Valley Parkway, which land was left for the use of the Boston & Maine Railroad for passenger station purposes. The Secretary stated that the Boston & Maine Railroad desired to receive the land without any restrictions. The Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Miles that the Board would insist upon said restrictions.

C. Miles

C. Floyd

Chairman to approve bill in favor of Edward E. Floyd

3 On motion of Mr. G. L. Chase the Chairman was authorized to approve a bill for $100. in favor of Edward E. Floyd to recompense him for 27,000. feet additional land taken from him which was incorporated in a deed given by said Floyd through a misunderstanding as to area involved.

[illegible] Gen. Supt.

4 The Secretary submitted a communication from the General Superintendent asking whether he should allow the officers of the State Survey to remove the flags and marks of the topographical surveyors now at work in the Reservation under the direction of this Board. The Secretary was instructed to inform the General Superintendent that no such action would be allowed and no work of surveying of said

C. Surveys.

95th May 15, 1895 cont. | wharf would be allowed within the Reservation except [illegible] permit for the same.

Secretary to prepare a bathing plan of Revere Beach Reservation | The Secretary was instructed to prepare a bathing plan of the Revere Beach Reservation

1 between the bathing station and the Ocean

C. R.B.R. Of Bathing R.B.R. | from [illegible] and Ocean Avenues to the southerly boundary of the Point of Pines Reservation.

2 The Secretary was instructed to report upon

C. Flag | the cost of a flag and flag staff, said flag staff to be erected in the Beaver Brook Reservation.

Adjourned at 4 P.M.

H. S. Carruth Secretary.

96th May 22, 1895. | Report of the ninety-sixth (96th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the office of the Commission, Ames Building, Boston, Wednesday May 22nd, 1895, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, All the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary submitted number of men employed | The Secretary submitted the number of

x men employed, as follows:--

Blue Hills Reservation

4 Foremen. 36 Laborers.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

3 Foremen, 26 Laborers.

Stony Brook Reservation

2 Foremen 13 Laborers

Beaver Brook Reservation

1 Superintendent. 1 Laborer.

Statement submitted by Secretary | The Secretary submitted the following settlements of bills.

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Blue Hills Reservation,

Pine Tree Brook Entrance.

John A. Welch John A. Welch, 11 3/4 acres of land. $4500. On motion of Mr. Lucas the above settlement was approved and ordered paid.

West Roxbury Parkway.

2 John W. Pycott John W. Pycott, 26,216 feet, 9 cents per foot. $275. extra for damage to remaining property. On motion of Mr. Lucas the Secretary was authorized to settle the above claim for 9 cents a foot net.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

3 Charles Ramsdell. On motion of Mr. Lucas the Secretary was authorized to settle the claim of Charles Ramsdell for 2 1/2 acres in Melrose for a sum not to exceed $350.

4 Simon Alexander The Assistant Secretary recommended the settlement of the claim of Simon Alexander for 32389 feet in Winchester at 7 cents per foot. On motion of Mr. Lucas the authority was refused.

Revere Beach Reservation.

5 George F. Mather George F. Mather, 4000 feet and dwelling house, 2500.

6 Cora M. Crosby Cora M. Crosby, two parcels of land, 8000. feet and house, } $4700.
one " " " 4000. "

7 George F. Emmons George F. Emmons, two lots, 11,478 ft. and two houses } 7000.
one lot 5,634 " " one house

8 John Floyd Estate John Floyd Estate, four lots, 20,000 feet, } 2580.
one lot, 5,800.

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the above settlements were approved and ordered paid.

Communication from Law Dept. 9 Claims C. MFP. The Secretary submitted a communication, dated May 21st, from the Law Department, relating to the preparation of the deeds of the Middlesex Fells Parkway. Ordered placed on file.

Communication from Law Dept. C. Medford Water Board. 10 Also, a communication from the Law Department, dated May 14th, relating to the lands

[illegible] Medford [illegible] from the [illegible] by the Board [illegible] of the [illegible]. Ordered placed on file.

1 The Secretary submitted the following report on the final settlement of lands in the Beaver Brook Reservation, which was accepted and ordered placed on file.

Report of Secretary on settlement of lands at Beaver Brook.

Boston, May 18th 1895.

Charles Francis Adams, Chairman,

Sir:—

All the lands taken in the Beaver Brook Reservation having now been settled for I am able to make a final report upon the cost of the acquisition of this Reservation.

The takings by the Board for this Reservation were two in number, the first passed November 3rd and the second December 11th, 1893, the land condemned being an area of 58½ acres divided among seven different estates.

The claims arising from the above [illegible] have been settled for the following amounts:—

2 Martin McNulty, 1,000.

3 William C. Brand. 10,000.

4 E. A. Price, 1,000

5 The Ward Heirs, 21,892.50

6 A. S. Mendall, 3,000.

7 Heirs of Daniel Deshon, 2,000

8 Elizabeth H. Stevens 2,500

Total. 41,392.50

9 Less gift of Mrs. Elisha Atkins and Mr. Edwin F. Atkins 12,500.

$28,892.50

The average cost per acre is $707.56 and the average cost to the Commonwealth is $493.89.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) [illegible],
Secretary.

Communication from Lt. Wm Nicholas Tolman

C. Signal Stations

1 The Secretary submitted a communication from Lieutenant Wm Nicholas Tolman, of the 1st Brigade, M.V.M. requesting permission to establish a signal station on the Great Blue Hill and elsewhere in the Blue Hills Reservation on the 30th of May. On motion of Mr. H. L. Chase the Secretary was authorized to grant the request.

Communication from Landscape Architects.

C. C.R.R.

C. Takings. C.R.R.

2 The Secretary submitted a communication from the Landscape Architects, dated May 22nd, reporting upon the letter of John H. Hahn, dated May 9th, 1895, referred to them at the previous meeting, and recommending the extension of the Charles River Reservation, towards Newton

Report from Engineer on lengths of roads bordered by Reservations.

C. Roads & Sts Cities and Towns.

C. Roads & Sts B.H.R. M.F.R.

3 The Secretary submitted the following report from the Engineer on the lengths of public roads bordered by the Reservations on both sides in the Blue Hills and Middlesex Fells Reservations. Ordered placed on file.

Boston, May 20, 1895.

Mr. H. S. Carruth,

Secretary,

Dear Sir; I send you the following lengths of public roads bordered on both sides by reservations:

Blue Hills Reservation,

Hillside Street.	6490 ft.
Forest "	3620 "
Randolph Avenue,	6530 "
Taunton Road	365 "
Total in Blue Hills Reservation,	3.22 miles, or 17005 ft.

Middlesex Fells Reservation,

Forest and Main Streets, Elm to South,	11000 ft.
Woodland Road, Elm to Langwood Hotel	3400 "
fronting " "	1450 "
Langwood Hotel to Pond St.	1750 "
Ravine Road.	3500 "

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[illegible] Ave. [illegible] to [illegible] St. [illegible] ft.
Washington St. Mountain Ave. to Ravine Road 1200 "
[illegible] St. Ravine Road to Ames Property. [illegible] "
Total in Fells Reservation, 5.23 miles, or 27600 ft.
Grand Total, 8.45 miles, 44605 ft.

Yours truly,
(signed) William T. Pierce

Secretary submitted act of taking of Revere Beach.

1 The Secretary submitted an act of taking of the Revere Beach Reservation from Ponties Avenue to the Southerly boundary of the Point of Pines property, which after some discussion was laid over for one week.

C. R.B.R.
O. Takings R.B.R.

Hearing given Selectmen of Stoneham.

2 A hearing was given to the Board of Selectmen of the town of Stoneham relating to the assumption by this Board of the care and maintenance of the public streets of the town of Stoneham in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. On motion of Mr. Casas the Secretary was instructed to issue a permit to the Selectmen of Stoneham to take such amount of gravel from the pits on Woodland Road as may be necessary to repair the streets of said town in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. The same to be done under the direction of the General Superintendent.

C. Roads & Sts.
M.F.R.

Secretary to obtain options on Hemlock Gorge.

3 The Secretary was directed to obtain options on lands at Hemlock Gorge.

C. H.G.R.
C. Obtains Options H.G.R.

Secretary to obtain concurrence of City of Medford to taking of Medford Section of M. Fells Parkway

The Secretary was directed to obtain the concurrence of the City of Medford to the taking of this Board for the Medford Section of the Middlesex Fells Parkway.

C. Takings, M.F.P.

Adjourned at 4 P.M.

H. S. Carruth Secretary

97th May 29 1895. Report of the ninety-seventh (97th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, Ames Building, Boston, May 29th, 1895, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, all the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary submitted number of men employed. The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows,--

Blue Hills Reservation.

4 Foremen, 33 Laborers,

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

3 Foremen, 23 Laborers.

Stony Brook Reservation

3 Foremen, 13 Laborers,

Beaver Brook Reservation.

1 Superintendent, 1 Laborer.

Settlements submitted by Secretary. The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land,

Mystic Valley Parkway.

Alexis Cutting. Alexis Cutting, 79,026 square feet of land, two double houses and stable, $20,000. On motion of Mr. Casas the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

West Roxbury Parkway.

Mary A. Hogan.[2] Mary A. Hogan, 4000 square feet of land at nine cents per foot. On motion of Mr. Casas the above settlement was approved and ordered paid.

Stony Brook Reservation.

George W. Moore.[3] George W. Moore, 97,000 square feet of land $12,300. On motion of Mr. Casas the settlement was approved and ordered paid owing to the limit of time in which the Board could abandon the land above described having expired May 1st, 1895, and Legislative authority not having been obtained for said abandonment.

Revere Beach Reservation

The Secretary submitted the following settlements made by the Assistant Secretary

1 Elisha L. Randall, 3630 square feet of land and building - $4030,

2 J. B. F. [illegible], 3800 feet of land [illegible],

3 [illegible] [illegible] " " " & building $150,

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the above settlements were approved and ordered paid.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

4. The Assistant Secretary submitted a communication asking for authority to settle the 11¼ acres in Medford belonging to George A. Wilson at $200. per acre and three acres belonging to Charles T. Symmes in Winchester and Medford $450. for the three acres. On motion of Mr. Lucas the Secretary was authorized to effect said settlements upon figures above stated.

5. Mr. P. L. Chase submitted a letter, addressed to the Commission, from Mr. George E. Bullard, representing the Heirs of Louisa D. Frothingham, offering to settle the claim of the said Heirs for 27¼ acres of land in Milton in the Blue Hills Reservation for $3000., and on motion of the Chair the proposition was accepted.

6 The Secretary submitted a report upon the proposed bath houses at Hoosicwhisick Pond with a plan of a house for men and a house for women, with an estimate of expense of about $700. The report was accepted and the Secretary was directed to arrange with Mr. Augustus Hemenway as to providing a suitable man to care for said bath houses in case they should be erected.

7 The Secretary submitted a letter from Mr. F. C. Manchester, dated May 23rd, enclosing

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a deed from Mr. Edwin Ginn for six acres of land in the town of Winchester being a part of the Mystic Valley Parkway, said land being a gift to the people of the Commonwealth. The Secretary was directed to acknowledge the receipt of the deed and to express to Mr. Ginn the appreciation of the Commission for his generous gift.

1 The Secretary brought up the question of insisting upon conditions in the deed of the land for station purposes on the Mystic Valley Parkway at Bacon Street in Winchester, said deed to be given by Louville Niles to the Boston and Maine Railroad. The Secretary made a statement of an interview which he had had with the President of the Railroad, Mr. Lucius Tuttle, in which Mr. Tuttle said that the Railroad under no circumstances would take the land except free from any restrictions. The Secretary was directed to inform Mr. Tuttle that the Board would not insist upon the conditions.

Board not to insist upon restrictions in land of Louville Niles, c. Niles.

Communication from General Superintendent.

The Secretary submitted a letter, dated

2 May 28th, from the General Superintendent, stating that it would be impossible for him to construct a road from the Medford Pumping station to Woodland Road along the shore of Spot Pond in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, within the appropriation at his disposal. On motion of Mr. Casas it was

C. Roads — Sts. M.F.R.

Ordered:— That the General Superintendent be notified not to begin said work and if he has already started the construction to immediately discontinue the same.

Gen. Supt. not to begin work on road from Medford Pumping Station to Woodland Road.

[illegible] 3 The Secretary submitted a communica-

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Request that weather flags be displayed on Bear Hill — tion, dated May 23rd, addressed to His Excellency, the Governor, and referred to this Commission by him, signed by W. H. Bartlett of Woburn, asking that the weather flags be displayed on Bear Hill in the

c. Flags. — Middlesex Fells Reservation. The Secretary was directed to reply to the said communication stating the inability of the Commission to comply with the request.

Communication from Chairman of Board of Selectmen of Belmont.

1 The Secretary submitted a communication from the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen of Belmont, dated May 27th, relating to the question

c. Mill St. — of the widening of Mill Street on the boundary of the Beaver Brook Reservation. On motion of Mr. Casas the Secretary was directed to request the Board of Selectmen to attend the next meeting of this Board on Wednesday, June 5th, 1895.

Request that McLean Asylum be allowed to construct drain in Beaver Brook Reservation

The Secretary submitted to the Board a request from Dr. H. P. Walcott that the McLean

2 Asylum be allowed to construct, without acquiring an easement, a six inch drain within the

c. Drains B.B.R. — lines of the Beaver Brook Reservation and parallel to Mill Street. On motion of Mr. Richards the matter was referred to the Secretary and the Landscape Architects.

Secretary to procure necessary options for relocation railroads at Revere Beach

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the Secretary was directed to procure the necessary options

3 for the lands to be taken for the re-location of

c. R.B.R. c. Claims, Options R.B.R. — the railroads at Revere Beach.

4 On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase it was

Secretary to prepare taking plans and acts of taking of [illegible] Beach

Ordered:-- That the Secretary be instructed to prepare taking plans and acts of taking

c. R.B.R. — from the South boundary of the Point of Pines to and

c. Takings R.B.R. — around the said Point of Pines property, by the Saugus River, to the location of the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad, according to the plans of the Landscape Architects.

Adjourned at 3.20 P.M. [illegible]

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A. S. Comstock
Secretary.

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Report of the ninety-eighth (98th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, Ames Building, Boston, Wednesday, June 5th, 1895, at 1.30 P. M.

Present, all the members of the Commission.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary submitted number of men employed. ×

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows:—

Blue Hills Reservation.

[illegible] Foremen, 27 Laborers,

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

[illegible] Foremen, 23 Laborers.

Stony Brook Reservation

3 Foremen, 13 Laborers,

Beaver Brook Reservation

1 Superintendent, 1 Laborer.

Settlements sub-mitted by Secretary

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land,

Blue Hills Reservation

Heirs of Charles Spear 1

Heirs of Charles Spear, 3 1/2 acres, $45. an acre. On motion of the Chair the above settlement was approved and ordered paid.

Mystic Valley Parkway.

Hawes Bros, 2

Hawes Brothers 19,950 sq. ft. and buildings $[illegible],000. On motion of the Chair the Secretary was directed to have the Assistant Secretary investigate and report upon this claim.

West Roxbury Parkway.

[illegible] For Grammar School 3

The Secretary submitted a communication

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addressed to Mr. R. Goldthwait by the Henry W. Putnam, dated June 4th, asking that the Board, if it desires to submit any offer, to do so before the coming week. Mr. Goldthwait moved that the committee, consisting of himself and the Secretary, be authorized to settle the above claim for a sum not exceeding $1500. The motion was lost.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

Communication from Edwin M. Graffam — Building

The Secretary submitted a communication from

1 Edwin M. Graffam claiming damages on account of stoppage of building operations by order of this Board, to the sum of $800. On motion of Mr. Casas the matter was [illegible] to the Assistant Secretary.

Estate of Simon Alexander.

The Assistant Secretary submitted a report recom-

2 mending the settlement of the Estate of Simon Alexander in the Middlesex Fells Reservation for the sum of $2150. On motion of Mr. Casas the Secretary was authorized to settle at the above figure.

Revere Beach Reservation.

Floyd Estate

The Assistant Secretary submitted a settlement

3 of a lot of land belonging to the Floyd Estate, containing 5000 square feet, for the sum of $1750. On motion of Mr. Casas the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

Communication from Gen. Supt.

The Secretary submitted a communication from

4 the General Superintendent, dated June 3rd 1895, stating that Mr. Patrick Rooney was constantly quarrying and removing stone from the quarry formerly owned by him in the Stony Brook Reservation. On motion of Mr. Goldthwait the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Rooney that he must desist from any further quarrying and must remove forthwith such stone as now remains in a loose condition in said quarry.

5 The Secretary submitted a report [illegible]

Report of Secretary on claim of Heirs of Horace T. Stearns for right of way in Beaver Brook Res.

the matter of the claim of the Heirs of Horace T. Stearns for a right of way out over the Devine land in the Beaver Brook Reservation, as follows:-- That the said right of way, being a way of necessity, did not appertain to that particular portion of the Devine estate taken by this Commission and that, therefore, the heirs of said Stearns had no claim against the Commonwealth.

C. Restrictions M.F.P.

Restrictions for frontages on Middlesex Fells Parkway between Pleasant St. and Fells Reser.

On motion of Mr. Curtis the following restrictions on Park frontages on the Middlesex Fells Parkway between Pleasant Street and the Middlesex Fells Reservation were passed.

Ordered:-- That the Secretary insert in all deeds for lands taken for the Middlesex Fells Parkway by this Commission the following restrictions upon abutting lands to the distance of 100 feet from the exterior line of said Parkway.

Restrictions for Park Frontages on the Middlesex Fells Parkway.

In addition to the above-named consideration, and the further consideration that said ~~City~~ Commonwealth of ~~Malden~~ Massachusetts shall construct along the boundary line of said parkway within said parcel of land, a roadway and walk, to which and heirs and assigns, (owners or occupants of adjoining lands of grantor,) shall have free access, with the right to use the same for the purposes of a way, subject to such reasonable rules and regulations as may from time to time be made by the Park Commissioners of said Commonwealth, or by any other board or department having for the time being the control and management of said Park, hereby, for self and heirs, executors, and administrators, covenant with said Commonwealth

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of Massachusetts, that [illegible] and [illegible] thousand acres will hold [illegible] remaining land [illegible] parkway, and to a distance of one hundred feet therefrom, subject to the following restrictions, which shall be inserted or referred to in any conveyance hereafter made by [illegible] of the whole or any part of said restricted land:

1. No buildings erected or placed upon said premises shall be used for a livery or public stable, or for any mechanical, mercantile, or manufacturing purposes, nor exceed five stories in height above the basement or cellar, nor exceed seventy feet in height from the mean grade of the edgestone or sidewalk in front to the ceiling of the extreme upper story (excepting churches or chapels), and no roof shall be used for laundry or clothes-drying purposes.

2. No wooden apartment house of more than three stories, nor wooden block consisting of more than two houses, nor wooden house or block standing at a distance less than five feet from the side line of the lot upon which the same is placed, and no wooden house costing less than three thousand five hundred dollars, nor brick or stone house costing less than six thousand dollars, nor wooden apartment house of two stories costing less than five thousand dollars, nor wooden apartment house of three stories costing less than six thousand dollars, nor apartment house of brick or stone costing less than three thousand dollars per suite of apartments, exclusive in each case of the cost of the land, shall be erected or placed upon said premises.

3. No building shall be erected or placed upon said premises within twenty feet from the exterior line of said parkway, provided, however, that steps to the building or porch may project within said reserved space.

The restrictions above set forth shall continue

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in force so long as such roadway and walk shall be maintained by said Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the grantor, heirs and assigns, owners or occupants of grantor adjoining lands, shall have free access thereto and liberty to use the same for the purposes of a way, subject to the rules and regulations aforesaid.

C. Contracts M.F.P. 1
Specifications for construction of Malden Section to be approved by Mr. Casas & Law Dept, and advertised.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Ordered:-- That the specifications for the construction of the Malden Section of the Middlesex Fells Parkway be submitted to Mr. Casas and if approved by him and the Law Department the Secretary shall advertise for proposals for the performance of said work.

Bill of Mr. J. H. Long referred to Mr. Casas and Secretary.
C. Long. 2

On motion of Mr. Richards the matter of the bill of Mr. J. H. Long, dated May 1st, 1895, was referred to Mr. Casas and the Secretary.

Mr. Cutting's request for permission to enter Cutting St. into Mystic Valley Parkway referred to Landscape Architects
C. Cutting 3

The Secretary submitted a request from Mr. Cutting for permission to enter a private way, called Cutting Street, in Winchester, into the Mystic Valley Parkway. On motion of Mr. Casas the matter was referred to the Landscape Architects to report.

Adjourned at 3.45 to meet on Wednesday, June 12, 1895, at 1.30 P. M.

W. B. de las Casas [signature]
Secretary.

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June 12, 1895.

Report of the ninety-ninth meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, Ames Building, Boston, Wednesday, June 12th, 1895, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, All the members of the Commission

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Number of men employed.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows:—

Blue Hills Reservation.

4 Foremen 27 Laborers

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

1 Foreman 21 Laborers

Stony Brook Reservation.

3 Foremen 15 Laborers.

Beaver Brook Reservation.

1 Superintendent.

Settlements of land submitted by Secretary.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land—

West Roxbury Parkway.

Minnie E. Woodside.

Minnie E. Woodside, 4,653 square feet of land at nine cents per foot. On motion of Mr. Richards the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

2\. A communication was submitted from Mr. Arthur Pointer offering to settle the claim of Mrs. Anna Lemmler for $800. On motion of Mr. Curran the Secretary was authorized to settle for a sum not exceeding $200.

Mrs. Anna Lemmler.

3\. The Secretary submitted a communication from the Trustees of the Roxbury Grammar School notifying the Board that they rejected the offer made in settlement for land taken from said Trustees of $25000, and offering to settle for the sum of eight cents per square foot, and on motion of Mr. H. A. Chase it was

Roxbury Grammar School.

Ordered:— That the matter of the claim of the Trustees of the Roxbury Grammar School for land taken in Bellevue Hill in the West Roxbury Parkway be referred to Mr. P. A. Chase with full authority to settle the same for a sum not to exceed $30,000.

Claim of Roxbury Grammar School referred to P. A. Chase with authority to settle for $30,000.

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Revere Beach Reservation.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements made by the Assistant Secretary.

c. George E. C. Mentzer. 1 George E. C. Mentzer, 3700 sq. ft. with building $2100.

c. Lavinia Holmes. 2 Lavinia Holmes, 5404 " " " " 2500.

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase both of the above settlements were approved and ordered paid.

Stony Brook Reservation.

3 The Assistant Secretary submitted a communication relating to the land of Clemence Hasenfus on Washington Street in the Stony Brook Reservation and recommending that he be authorized to settle the claim for the sum of $4000. On motion of Mr. P. L. Chase it was

Clarence Hasenfus.

Ordered:-- That the Secretary have authority to settle the claim of Clemence Hasenfus in the Stony Brook Reservation for a sum not exceeding $4500.

Secretary given authority to settle claim of Clemence Hasenfus for sum not exceeding 4500.

Charles River Reservation.

4 A communication was received from the Assistant Secretary containing a preliminary report upon the claim of John E. Cassidy. On motion of Mr. Richards it was

c. Cassidy.

Ordered:-- That all matters relating to the claim of Mr. John E. Cassidy be referred to a sub-committee to consist of the Chairman and Mr. Casas.

Claim of John E. Cassidy referred to Chairman and Mr. Casas.

Middlesex Fells Parkway

c. Ella Amerige. 5 Ella Amerige, 18,376 square feet of land $2,297. On motion of Mr. Casas the above settlement was approved and ordered paid.

Communication from General Superintendent.

6 The Secretary submitted a communication from the General Superintendent, dated June 5th, relating to providing a proper sanitary for the use of women in the Beaver Brook Reservation.

c. Sanitaries

c. Flag 7 The Secretary, from the committee on the

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Report of committee on [illegible] flag staff at Beaver Brook.

Beaver Brook Reservation to whom was referred the question of erecting a flag staff and procuring a flag on said Reservation, reported recommending the erection of a staff at an expense of $[illegible] and the procuring of a flag at an expense of $[illegible]. The report was accepted and the recommendation adopted.

Secretary to construct bath-houses at Houghton's Pond. c. Bath Houses B.H.R.

1 On motion of Mr. C. A. Chase the Secretary was instructed to construct at Houghton's Pond, in the Blue Hills Reservation, a bath house for women with two compartments and a bath house for men, with four compartments, not to exceed $250. for both.

c. Takings 2 Mr. Casas sub-committee on damages and betterments.

On motion of the Chair Mr. Casas was appointed a sub-committee to communicate with the Assistant Secretary and the Law Department and formulate the necessary measures to protect the Commonwealth in the matter of damages and betterments and in legal proceedings likely to arise by reason of the takings made by this Board under the Boulevard Act.

3 Secretary to prepare taking of Hemlock Gorge Reservation. c. H.G.R. c. Takings, H.G.R.

On motion of Mr. Casas the Secretary was instructed to prepare taking plan and act of taking of the Hemlock Gorge Reservation according to the plans of the Landscape Architects.

4 Secretary to [illegible] topographical map of Stony Brook Reservation. [illegible] S.B.R.

On motion of Mr. C. L. Chase the Secretary was authorized to prepare a topographical and [illegible] map of the Stony Brook Reservation.

5 [illegible] S.B.R. [illegible] Stony Brook Reservation.

On motion of Mr. C. L. Chase the Secretary was instructed to expend the sum of $[illegible] in addition to the sum already appropriated for the maintenance of the Stony Brook Reservation from May 1st to November 1st, said sum to be expended in the improvement of the road from the office to Washington Street.

c. Botanical 6 On motion of Mr. Casas [illegible]

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5 250. appropriated to continue botanical work in Reservations.

Ordered:– That the sum of $250. be appropriated to continue the botanical work in the Reservations until January 1st, 1896, said work to be under the direction of the Landscape Architects.

C. M.F.P.
C. Takings M.F.P.
1 Taking of additional land in Middlesex Fells Parkway referred to Landscape Architects for report.

On motion of Mr. Curtis it was

Ordered:– That the matter of taking additional land for the Medford Section of the Middlesex Fells Parkway be referred to the Landscape Architects for their report.

2 Communication from Law Department.
C. Contracts M.F.P.

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Law Department in reference to the specifications for the construction of the Malden Section of the Middlesex Fells Parkway and, on motion of Mr. Curtis, the Secretary was directed to have the suggestions of the Law Department incorporated in the specifications, to have the same printed and to advertise for proposals for the performance of the work.

3 Communication from Law Department.
C. Restrictions M.F.P.

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Law Department relating to the restrictions upon adjoining land in the Middlesex Fells Parkway. The communication was referred to Mr. Curtis.

Secretary gave notice of failure Milton Board of Selectmen to concur in taking of Blue Hills Parkway.
4
C. B.H.P.

The Secretary gave notice to the Board of the failure of the Milton Board of Selectmen to concur with this Board in the taking of the Blue Hills Parkway and the statement of the Law Department that without further legislation it would be impossible to meet the objections of the said Board of Selectmen.

Adjourned at 4.10 to meet on Wednesday, June 19, at 1.30 P.M.

W. B. de las Casas [signature]

Secretary.

100th
June 19, 1895.

Report of the one hundredth (100th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the office of the Commission, Rogers Building, Boston, June 19, 1895, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Messrs. P. A. Chase, Casas and Richardson.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Number of men employed. The Secretary submitted the number of men employed as follows:-

Blue Hills Reservation
1 Foreman, 21 Laborers,
Middlesex Fells Reservation
4 Foremen, 16 Laborers,
Stony Brook Reservation
3 Foremen, 13 Laborers,
Beaver Brook Reservation
1 Superintendent, 2 Laborers, 4 days.

Settlements submitted by Secretary. 1
Alice A. Gafney.
The Secretary submitted settlements in relation to claims of Alice A. Gafney on account of the taking of land from her in the Middlesex Fells Parkway, Medford Section. The matter was referred to Mr. Casas to confer with the Assistant Secretary in relation thereto.

2
Communication from General Superintendent. Fishing.
The Secretary submitted a communication from the General Superintendent, dated June 18th, 1895, relating to rod fishing in the ponds of the reservations. The communication was ordered placed on file, and the Secretary was directed to prepare a rule governing the action of the Police Department in this matter.

Brooks. 3
Communication from Mr. Richard M. Saltonstall, Attorney for Peter C. Brooks.
The Secretary submitted a communication from Mr. Richard M. Saltonstall, attorney for Mr. Peter C. Brooks, relating to the lands taken from him in Medford and Winchester for the Mystic Valley Parkway. The communication was ordered

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placed on file, and, on motion of Mr. Casas, the matter was referred back to the Secretary with instructions to confer with Mr. Saltonstall and report again to the Board.

C. [illegible]
W.F.R. 1
Voted to abandon land in Middlesex Fells Reservation
Reconsidered June 24, 1895 1-520-1 See also 1-516-5.

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase, it was voted that, It is the intention of this Board to abandon back to their former owners, that portion of the Middlesex Fells Reservation lying between the easterly boundary and Washington and Pond Streets, and the Landscape Architects be instructed to submit a plan showing the said abandonment.

Mr. Casas dissents to above vote.

On this motion, Mr. Casas dissented.

C. [illegible] W.F.R.
C. Wicks. 2
[illegible]

On motion of Mr. Casas, it was

Ordered:- That the Secretary be instructed to notify Louisa Hicks that this Board has determined to abandon the land referred to in the agreement dated, January 25, '95, and will report said abandonment as soon as the necessary papers and plans can be prepared.

C. [illegible]
W.F.R. 3
Landscape Architects to indicate line of abandonment of land of Boston Rubber Shoe Co.

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase it was

Ordered:- That the Landscape Architects indicate a line of abandonment on the land formerly owned by the Boston Rubber Shoe Company in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, and make any further suggestions as to abandonment in that locality that they may deem desirable and report at the next meeting of this Board.

C. [illegible] 4
[illegible]
Claim of Boston Rubber Shoe Co. referred to Mr. P. A. Chase with full powers.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Ordered:— That the question of the settlement of the claim of the Boston Rubber Shoe Company for lands taken from them, in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, be referred to Mr. P. A. Chase, with full powers.

C. [illegible]
W.F.R. 5
[illegible] Middlesex Fells reconsidered and laid over until next meeting.

Mr. Casas moved to re-consider the vote whereby the Board determined to abandon certain land in the Middlesex Fells Reservation - passed

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earlier in this meeting, and the vote upon the said motion to reconsider was laid over until the next meeting.

C. Bacon St. 1
Landscape Architects to confer with County Commissioners of Middlesex in reference to re-location of Bacon Street.

On motion of Mr. Casas it was

Ordered:- That the Landscape Architects be authorized to confer with the County Commissioners of the County of Middlesex, in reference to the re-location of Bacon Street, in Winchester, in the Mystic Valley Parkway.

C. M.V.P. 2.
C. Takings M.V.P.
Secretary to prepare takings of additional land for Mystic Valley Parkway

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase it was

Ordered:- That the Secretary prepare papers and plan of taking of a certain additional strip of land for the Mystic Valley Parkway, near Bacon Street, according to the plans of the Landscape Architects.

C. M.V.P. 3
Secretary to prepare abandonment strip in Mystic Valley Parkway.

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase it was

Ordered:- That the Secretary prepare papers and plan of abandonment of a certain strip of land in the Mystic Valley Parkway, near Bacon Street in Winchester, according to the plans of the Landscape Architects.

C. M.V.P. 4.
Parkway be known as Mystic Valley Parkway.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Ordered:- That the Parkway extending from High Street, in Medford, to Walnut Street, in Winchester, be known as the Mystic Valley Parkway.

Abn. M.F.P.
O'Donnell 5
Landscape Architects to report portion of land of O'Donnell to be abandoned.

On motion of Mr. Casas it was

Ordered:- That the Landscape Architects be instructed to report what portion, if any, of the land of O'Donnell, in the Medford Section of the Middlesex Fells Parkway, may be abandoned.

Landscape Architects report on additional taking for Middlesex Fells Parkway
C. M.F.P. 6
C. Takings M.F.P.

The Landscape Architects, to whom was referred at the last meeting the question of taking additional land for the Medford Section of the Middlesex Fells Parkway, reported that, in their judgment, no action on the part of

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this Board was necessary. The report was accepted.

1 Communication from Mr. Arthur Crowell of Malden. Mr. Casas submitted a communication from Mr. Arthur Crowell of Malden, desiring to secure the right of maintaining a night lunch wagon on the site of the Strathmore Hotel at Revere Beach. The Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Crowell that no further licenses will be granted this season.

Adjourned at 4.15, to meet on Monday, June 24th, at 1.30 P. M.

A. S. Cassett[illegible]
Secretary.

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June 24, 1895.

Report of the one hundred first (101st) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the office of the Commission, Ames Building, Boston, Monday, June 24th, 1895, at 1.30 P.M.

2 On motion of Mr. Casas Mr. P. A. Chase was elected temporary Chairman but declining to serve Mr. Casas was elected to fill said office.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary submitted number of men employed. The Secretary submitted the number of men employed as follows:–

Blue Hills Reservation.
[illegible] Foremen, [illegible] Laborers
Middlesex Fells Reservation
[illegible] Foremen, 16 Laborers,
Stony Brook Reservation.
5 Foremen, 13 Laborers,
Beaver Brook Reservation
1 Superintendent.

[illegible] The Secretary submitted the following [illegible]

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[illegible] made by the Assistant Secretary.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

1 Ephraim Pratt(?), [illegible] acres in Malden(?) [illegible].

2 Frank Stephenson, [illegible] acres in Medford [illegible]. On motion of Mr. Richards the above two settlements were approved and ordered paid.

3 Esther M. Abbott(?), [illegible] acres in Melrose [illegible]. On motion of Mr. Abbott(?) the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

4 The Secretary presented a communication from the Assistant Secretary, dated June 24th, stating his inability to arrive at a settlement with Clemence Kampfer(?) for land taken from him on Washington Street in the Stony Brook Reservation.

5 The Secretary called up the matter of the verbal request of the Trustees of the Wilson(?) Asylum for the right to lay six inch drain pipe within the limits of the Stony Brook Reservation, and, on motion of Mr. [illegible], the Secretary was directed to ask for a formal request from said Board containing definite information as to their desire in the matter.

6 The Secretary submitted a communication from Joseph C. Andrews, dated June 21st, asking permission to use a boat, furnished by himself, on Houghton's Pond in the Blue Hills Reservation. On motion of Mr. [illegible] it was

Ordered: — That the Secretary communicate with Mr. Andrews that the Board is not as yet ready to grant permission of this character.

The Secretary submitted a communication from Mr. Edward C. Caldwell(?), dated June [illegible], relating to the wish of himself and others that the Board should condemn for park purposes a certain tract of land in [illegible]. The

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Secretary was directed to reply to said Caldwell that the Board has already had the matter called to its attention and that it is now being considered in connection with the Charles River Improvement scheme.

1
Vote to reconsider vote of June 3 to abandon lands in Middlesex Fells
C. Abt.
M.F.R.

The Secretary called up the question of the vote upon the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the Board at its meeting held June 3rd voted to abandon back to their former owners certain lands in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, and the motion to reconsider having been put by the Chairman pro tempore was carried.

Secretary to prepare papers of abandonment of land in Middlesex Fells Reservation

On motion of Mr. De las Casas it was

Ordered:-- That the Secretary prepare papers of abandonment of those lands in the Middlesex Fells Reservation lying east of Fountain Avenue, Washington and Pond Streets, and Pond Street extended to Emerson Street in Melrose, as per the plan of the Landscape Architects, and submit the same to this Board for their action.

Landscape architects submitted plan of abandonment in Mid. Fells Reservation which was referred back to them for further report
2
C. Abt.
M.F.R.

The Landscape Architects, as instructed at the last meeting, submitted a plan showing boundaries of lands proposed to be abandoned in Melrose and Stoneham in the Middlesex Fells Reservation which was referred back to them for further study and report.

Landscape architects submitted a plan for additional taking in Mid. Fells Reservation
C. M.F.R. 3
C. Takings M.F.R.

The Landscape Architects also submitted a plan for an additional taking adjacent to the south west boundary of the Fells Reservation in the City of Medford. The consideration of this plan was laid over.

Landscape architects report that town of Hyde Park is to build a bridge

The Landscape Architects also reported that the town of Hyde Park is about to build

C. Bridges 4 a bridge over the Mother Brook and over the

101st June 24, 1895 — New York, New Haven and Hartford R.R. and the Secretary was directed to communicate with the Selectmen of Hyde Park and inform them that this Board would take definite action in the matter of the bridge when the Engineers would have time as they can have an opportunity to carefully consider the matter and a conference between the two Boards can be had.

Secretary to confer with Selectmen of Hyde Park.

On motion of Mr. C. Q. Chase it was

Ordered: That the Chairman pro tempore approve the [illegible] of the Commission until otherwise ordered.

Chairman pro tem. to approve bills.

On motion of Mr. C. Q. Chase it was

Ordered:- That when this Board adjourns it be to meet on Friday, June 28th, at 4.30 P.M.

Adjourned at 5.15 P.M.

[signature]
Secretary

102nd. June 28, 1895.

Record of the one hundred second (102nd) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the office of the Commission, [illegible] Building, Boston, June 28th 1895 at 4.30 P.M.

Present The Chairman pro tempore, Messrs. C. Q. Chase, Richards and Hemenway.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Settlements submitted by the Secretary.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land.

Mystic Valley Parkway.

[illegible] Brothers.

Messrs. [illegible] Brothers of Winchester, 9950 square feet. [illegible] On motion of Mr. C. Q. Chase

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the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

Middlesex Fells Parkway.

Elizabeth Sest. — Elizabeth Sest, 13,962 square feet in Malden, $1500. On motion of Mr. Hemenway the above settlement was approved and ordered paid.

2 C. Hawes Bros. — Secretary to notify Hawes Bros. that Board will require premises not later than September 1, '95.

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase it was

Ordered:-- That the Secretary be instructed to notify Messrs. Hawes Brothers of Winchester that in view of the settlement of their claim against the Commonwealth on account of land taken, for the sum of $20,000, that this Board will require the use of the premises now occupied by them not later than September 1st, 1895.

3 Request of McLean Asylum to lay drain referred to the Engineer - C. Pipes, Drain B.B.R.

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase it was

Ordered:- That the request of the Trustees of the McLean Asylum for permission to lay a six inch drain in the Beaver Brook Reservation be referred to our Engineer to consult with their engineer and then to report to this Board.

4 C. Water, Drinking. — Secretary to confer with the Superintendent of Watertown Water Supply Co.

The Secretary submitted a communication recommending that a well for drinking water be constructed in the southern portion of the Beaver Brook Reservation. On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was instructed to confer with the Superintendent of the Watertown Water Supply Company as to the cost, etc., of connecting said Reservation with the mains of the Company.

5 Communication from Gen. Supt. recommending appointment of Geo. Hughes as a special officer in Middlesex Fells. — Appointment C. Police, Special.

The Secretary submitted a communication from the General Superintendent, dated June 27th, 1895, recommending the appointment of George Hughes as a special police officer without pay in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the appointment was made.

6 C. Memorials C. Historical.

The Secretary submitting a communication

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Secretary submitted communication from Chas. Francis Adams.

from Mr. Charles Francis Adams, dated June 13th, enclosing a communication of Mr. [illegible] addressed to the Secretary and dated May 8th, relating to the erection of a tablet to mark the site of the hut of the last Indian in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. The Secretary also submitted a suggestion as to a desirable marking of the land originally belonging to President John Adams and given by him "for the support of religion and education," in the town of Quincy and now within the limits of the Blue Hills Reservation. On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Matters connected with historical spots referred to Messrs. [illegible] & [illegible].

Ordered:-- That all matters connecting with historical spots or the erection of tablets or monuments within the reservations be referred to a sub-committee consisting of Messrs. [illegible] and [illegible] with full powers.

Adjourned at 4.10 P.M. to meet at the call of the Chairman pro tempore.

[illegible signature]
Secretary.

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July 8, 1895.

Record of the one hundred third (103rd) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, [illegible] Building, Boston, Monday, July 8th, 1895, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, the Chairman pro tempore, Messrs. Chase and Richards.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Settlements submitted by Secretary.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land:—

Mystic Valley Parkway.

Orville V. Niles. — Orville V. Niles, 115,739 square feet of land
1 ten cents per foot. On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the above settlement was approved and ordered paid.

2 The Secretary gave notice that he had settled the claim of the Messrs. Hawes Brothers
Hawes Brothers — of Winchester for $19,000, being the same that he was authorized to settle for the sum of $20,000, at the meeting held June 28th.

Middlesex Fells Parkway.

Andrew J. Chaney. — Andrew J. Chaney, 6,987 square feet of
3 land, $1800. with the privilege of removing building. On motion of Mr. Richards the above settlement was approved and ordered paid.

Revere Beach Reservation.

Clarence P. Whitter 4	Clarence P. Whitter,	4960 sq. ft. of land,	$150, 2nd place for 1895.
Ellen M. Abbott 5	Ellen M. Abbott,	9920 " "	2200.
Noah Seaman 6	Noah Seaman,	10900 " "	1635.
Emroy W. Braman 7	Emroy W. Braman,	4960 " "	1000.

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase all the above settlements were approved and ordered paid.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

The Secretary was authorized to settle the following claims for sums not exceeding the amounts set against their respective names.

G. W. W. Saville 9	G. W. W. Saville, Stoneham,	1/3 of an acre on Main St.	$300.
John A. Barnes 10	John A. Barnes, "	8 acres, on Main St.,	$150. per acre.
J. F. Farmer 11	J. F. Farmer,	about 36,000. ft.	$200.
Sidney A. Hill 12	Sidney A. Hill, Melrose,	3.17 acres,	600.

13 Proposition Marshall T. Symmes declined. — Mr. Marshall T. Symmes submitted a proposition to settle his claim of 9 1/4 acres in Medford at $300. per acre. The Assistant Secretary recommended that his offer be declined as being far beyond its value and, on motion [illegible]

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of Mr. T. W. Chase the offer of Mr. Symmes was declined.

The Secretary called the attention of the Board to the request of Mr. Henry H. Putnam for a statement as to the rights, etc., of the Trustees of the Roxbury Grammar School in the West Roxbury Parkway. On motion of Mr. Richards the following restrictions were passed to apply to the West Roxbury Parkway.

W. Roxbury Grammar School
Restrictions

Restrictions to apply to West Roxbury Parkway.

1. No building erected or placed upon said premises shall be used for a livery or public stable, or for any mechanical, mercantile or manufacturing purpose, nor exceed five stories in height above the basement or cellar, nor exceed seventy feet in height from the mean grade of the edgestone or sidewalk in front to the ceiling of the extreme upper story (excepting in the cases of churches and chapels), and no roof shall be used for laundry or clothes-drying purposes.

2. No wooden apartment house of more than three stories, nor wooden block consisting of more than two houses, nor wooden house or block standing at a distance less than five feet from either side line of the lot upon which the same is placed, and no wooden house costing less than three thousand five hundred dollars, nor brick or stone house costing less than six thousand dollars, nor wooden apartment house of two stories costing less than five thousand dollars, nor wooden apartment house of three stories costing less than six thousand dollars, nor apartment house of brick or stone costing less than three thousand dollars per suite of apartments, exclusive in each case of the cost of the

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ance, shall be erected or placed upon said restricted premises.

3. No building or part thereof shall be erected, placed or maintained upon said premises within twenty-five feet from the exterior line of said parkway: provided, however, that the steps to it may project into said reserved space.

The restrictions above set forth shall continue in force so long as such roadway and walk shall be maintained by said Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the grantor, heirs and assigns, owners or occupants of grantor now adjoining lands, shall have free access thereto and liberty to use the same for the purposes of a way, subject to the rules and regulations aforesaid.

Letter from Law Department (Harland Street Entrance)

C. Harland Street Entrance. 1

The Secretary submitted a letter from the Law Department, dated July 2nd, relating to the proposed Harland Street Entrance to the Blue Hills Reservation, in which the said Department expressed the opinion that the Commission cannot under any powers now existing take any portion of Harland Street or other public streets within the Metropolitan District. On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the Secretary was directed to consult with the Law Department and submit a further report upon the matter.

Communication from Law Department - (Betterments) 2

C. Betterments.

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Law Department, dated July 2nd, in answer to an inquiry as to whether the Commission had forfeited its right to levy betterments on lands taken under the Boulevard Act by reason of not including in the act of taking any mention of betterments. The Department replied that the Commission

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... may [be] entitled to right. The communication was ordered placed on file.

Communication from Mr. C. W. Cobb.
1
C. W. P.

The Secretary submitted a communication from Mr. C. W. Cobb Secretary of the Winthrop Park Commission, dated July 1st, extending to the Commission any courtesy in the power of the local Winthrop Commission in the matter of the construction of the boulevard question along the Winthrop water front. Ordered placed on file.

Communication from Mr. Joseph R. Carr
2
Chelsea Park Com.
Vote passed Chelsea Park Commission

The Secretary submitted a communication from Mr. Joseph R. Carr, Secretary of the Chelsea Park Commission, enclosing a copy of the following vote passed by the Chelsea Park Commission.

"Voted, That the Secretary of this Board be instructed to communicate with the Metropolitan Park Commissioners and to request in behalf of the Board such advice and assistance in the matter of parks as they may be able to offer."

Secretary to reply to communication of Mr. Carr.

The Secretary was instructed to reply to the above communication stating that this Board holds itself in readiness at any time to give any assistance in its power to the local Park Board of Chelsea.

Communication from Mr. Rufus Leighton
3
Bldgs. M. F. P.

The Secretary submitted a communication from Mr. Rufus Leighton, dated July 5th, asking the price of the house formerly owned by Mr. Joseph Gilman in the "Malden Section" of the Middlesex Fells Parkway. Ordered placed on file, and on motion of the Chairman it was

Secretary to prepare list of buildings in Malden Section of Middlesex Fells Parkway

Ordered: —— That the Secretary be instructed to prepare a list of buildings in the Malden Section of the Middlesex

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Fells Buildings that are the property of the Commission and to advertise for proposals to buy the said buildings with the condition that they be paid for and removed within twenty days from the date of purchase.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

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Permission granted Trustees of McLean Asylum to lay drain in Beaver Brook Reservation.

Ordered:- That the Secretary notify the Trustees of the McLean Asylum that Permission is granted said Trustees to build a sewer from some point in North Street, in Belmont, across the land of the Beaver Brook Reservation on the south side of said North Street to the existing sewer of the town of Belmont in said Reservation, subject to such rules and regulations as this Board may from time to time establish.

Mr. H.L. Chase a member of Committee on Claim of John C. Cassidy.

C. Cassidy.

On motion of Mr. Richards Mr. H.L. Chase was elected a member of the committee on the claim of John C. Cassidy in the place of Mr. Adams, resigned.

Adjourned at 5.20 to meet on Wednesday, July 17th.

A.S. [illegible]
Secretary.

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July 17. 1895.

Record of the one hundred and fourth (104th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the office of the Commission, Ames Building, Boston, Wednesday, July 17th, '95, at 10 A.M.

Present, The Chairman pro tempore; Messrs P.A. Chase, Richards and [illegible].

The reading of the records of the preceding meeting was laid over.

The Secretary submitted the minutes of

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Number of employees [illegible]

were employed as follows.-

Blue Hills Reservation

5 Foremen, [illegible] Laborers

Middlesex Fells Reservation

4 Foremen, [illegible] Laborers

Stony Brook Reservation

1 Foreman [illegible] Laborers

Beaver Brook Reservation

Superintendent.

Settlements submitted by Secretary

The Secretary submitted the following settlements for land taken.-

Stony Brook Reservation

Charles [illegible]

1 Charles H. [illegible], about [illegible] acres in the Boston Section, $[illegible] per acre. On motion of Mr. C. A. Chase the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

Samuel T. Frost

2 The Secretary also submitted a communication from the Assistant Secretary recommending that he be authorized to settle with Samuel T. Frost, or William [illegible] acting for said Frost, for about [illegible] feet of land on Washington Street in the Boston Section, for $[illegible]. On motion of Mr. C. A. Chase the Secretary was authorized to settle at the above figure.

West Roxbury Parkway.

Edgar H. [illegible]

3 Edgar H. [illegible], 6,530 square feet in the Bellevue Hill Section for 9 cents per foot. On motion of Mr. C. A. Chase the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

William Carney Partridge

4 The Secretary submitted a communication from Mr. Charles [illegible], attorney for Mr. William Carney Partridge, of Milton, submitting a proposition to settle the said Partridge's claim for about 20 acres of land taken from him in the Blue Hills Reservation for $[illegible].65. On motion of Mr. [illegible] the Secretary

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was authorized to settle the above claim for a sum not exceeding $2,000.

The Secretary called up the question of the construction of the road adjoining the property of Mr. Arthur L. Wyman in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Question of road adjoining land of Mr. A. L. Wyman

C. Rds & Sts M.F.R.

Ordered:--That the road be constructed by the force in our employ under the direction of the General Superintendent, the expense of said construction to be in excess of the appropriation made April 18th in said work for the period between May 1st and November 1st, 1895.

Wyman road to be constructed by forces in our employ under direction of General Superintendent

On motion of Mr. Richards all previous orders in conflict with the above order were rescinded.

All orders in conflict with the above, rescinded

C. Rifle Range. 2

The Secretary presented a request from Captain Westcott for permission to use the old rifle range in Medford, within the limits of the Middlesex Fells Reservation, for the week ending July 20th, between the hours of five and eight. On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the Secretary was instructed to inform Captain Westcott that the Board cannot allow the use of this Reservation for such purposes.

Request of Capt. Westcott to use rifle range on [illegible] not allowed.

The Secretary called up the question of the Cutting deed to certain land taken for the Mystic Valley Parkway in Winchester, and of allowing a building already existing within the twenty-five foot reserved space outside the exterior line of the Parkway to remain.

Question of Cutting deed on Mystic Valley Parkway

C. Cutting

On motion of Mr. P. A. Chase the Secretary was instructed to modify the restriction on said property so far as [illegible]

existing buildings are concerned.

1 Dike. The Secretary called up the question of the condition in the deed of Lyman Dike to the Commonwealth for land taken from him in the Stoneham section of the Middlesex Fells Reservation and submitted the following clause. "Except the right of the grantor, his heirs and assigns or his agents, to enter upon the above granted premises for the purposes of cleaning out and maintaining a water course from other land of grantor to the reservoir of the water works of the town of Winchester." On motion of Mr. C. A. Chase the clause was accepted and ordered inserted in the deed, provided that the Board can give such power and that its use does not interfere with the purity of the Winchester water supply.

Clause to be inserted in deed of Lyman Dike to the Commonwealth.

2 The Secretary was instructed to show the detailed plans of the Mystic Valley Parkway to the counsel of the Messrs Brooks of Medford.

Secretary to show detailed plans Mystic Valley Parkway to counsel Messrs Brooks.

3 The Secretary submitted a communication from the Assistant Secretary relating to the desirability of an immediate taking at Revere Beach between the railroad location and the water. The communication was ordered placed on file and the Secretary was authorized to consult with the Law Department in reference thereto.

Communication Assistant Secretary (Revere Beach).

Adjourned at 10.45 A.M. to meet on Wednesday July 24th at 1.30 P.M.

[signature]
Secretary

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July 24, 1895. Report of the one hundred fifth (105th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, Ames Building, Boston, Wednesday, July 24, 1895, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman pro-tempore, Messrs Richards and Hemenway.

The records of the two preceding meetings were read and accepted.

Secretary submitted number of men employed. The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows:--

Blue Hills Reservation.

3 Foremen 6 Laborers

Middlesex Fells Reservation

4 Foremen, 4 Laborers

Stony Brook Reservation.

3 Foremen, 4 Laborers.

Beaver Brook Reservation,

1 Superintendent

Settlements submitted by Secretary. The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land:

Blue Hills Reservation.

1 c. Peter McIntyre. The Secretary submitted a communication from Mr. Peter McIntyre, dated July 22nd, relating to his claim for land taken. The communication was referred to the sub-committee on the Blue Hills Reservation with full powers.

Revere Beach Reservation.

2 c. Alexander D. Alif. The Secretary submitted a settlement made by the Assistant Secretary of the estate belonging to Alexander D. Alif for $1100. On motion of Mr. Richards the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

3 c. Catherine Butler. The Secretary submitted a communication, dated July 23rd, from the Assistant Secretary recommending the settlement of the claim of Catherine Butler on

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the Ravine Road, arising from the taking of 8585 square feet for $500. On motion of the Chair the communication was laid over without date.

(Communication Assistant Sec. Graffam claim) 1 Graffam

The Secretary also submitted a communication dated July 23rd, from the Assistant Secretary submitting a report in the matter of the claim of Edwin M. Graffam on account of a notification received by said Graffam from the Secretary of the Commission, dated December 12, 1893, requesting him to stop further work on certain lands on Highland Avenue pending the decision of the Commission as to boundary lines. On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was instructed to confer with the Law Department and report further to the Board in relation to this claim.

(Communication from Assistant Secretary – McKechnie Claim) 2 McKechnie

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Assistant Secretary, dated July 24th, concerning the claim of Mrs. Harriet McKechnie and asking as to the intentions of the Board in the matter of the abandonment of the land taken from said Mrs. McKechnie. On motion of Mr. Richards it was voted that no action is necessary on said communication.

(Communication from Landscape Architects – Stone monuments in Blue Hills Reservation) 3 Surveys.

A communication was received from the Landscape Architects, dated July 9th, recommending that means be provided for the setting of the stone monuments and iron bolts to preserve the points of the Topographical Survey in the Blue Hills Reservation. On motion of Mr. Hemenway the Secretary was authorized to carry out said recommendations, the expense to be charged to the Metropolitan Parks Loan.

(Communication from Engineer – Sewer to be built by Malden) 4 Middlesex Fells, Sewer, Malden

A communication was received from the Engineer dated July 23rd, relating to a sewer to be built by the city of Malden within the limits of the Middlesex Fells Parkway, Malden Section, and also, re-

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Communication from Law Department - referred to Secretary with full power - A communication from the Law Department, dated July 24th, accompanying a communication from

1 Mr. George A. Davy, dated July 22nd, relating to certain

C. Ld Dot. rights of way appertaining to Mrs. Louisa S. Cabot, on account of land taken from her in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, was presented by the Secretary and on motion of the Chairman was referred to the Secretary with full power.

Communication from Law Department - (Sites at Revere Beach) The Secretary submitted a communication from the Law Department, dated July 24th, relating to the matter of the [illegible] [illegible] made in the

2 C. RBR. Revere Beach Reservation and the desirability of including

C. Claims RBR. them in deeds made for the land taken abutting upon the [illegible] sites made on said Beach. The Secretary was instructed to advise the Law Department that it is the wish of the Board that all such sites be included in all deeds drawn for land taken on Revere Beach.

Request from Harvard University to lease summit of Great Blue Hill - The Secretary submitted a request from Harvard University, with a plan, showing their wishes in

3 relation to the lease of the summit of the Great

C. Blue Hill Met. Obs. Blue Hill for scientific purposes. On motion of Mr. Richards the whole matter was referred to the sub-committee on the Blue Hills Reservation with instructions to report to the full Board.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Secretary to prepare papers of abandonment Middlesex Fells Ordered:-- That the Secretary be instructed to prepare plans and papers of abandonment

4 of that portion of the Middlesex Fells Reservation

C. Abt. MFR. between Pond Street extended to Emerson Street, in [illegible], and the Stoneham-Melrose line at Wyoming Avenue; also, between Mountain Avenue, Washington

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Street and the new boundary road [illegible] the Fountain Avenue Entrance, so-called, according to the plans of the Landscape Architects.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

1 [illegible] of land in Fells Parkway

Ordered:-- That the question of the abandonment of a certain strip of land in Malden in the Fells Parkway be referred to the Secretary and the Law Department.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

2 Committee to be appointed to report action to be taken in matter of police force.

Ordered:-- That a committee of two be appointed to report what action shall be taken in the matter of the police forces in the various reservations.

The Chair appointed Messrs Richards & Hemenway.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

3 Finances. Bills. Mr. Hemenway to approve bills.

Ordered:-- That in the absence of the Chairman pro-tempore Mr. Hemenway, a member of this Commission, be authorized to approve bills.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

4 Secretary to prepare takings plans for new south boundary of Middlesex Fells Reservation.

Ordered:-- That the Secretary prepare takings plans for the new south boundary of the Middlesex Fells Reservation according to the plans of the Landscape Architects.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

5 Rights of way of Horace Stearns and others referred to Secretary.

Ordered:-- That the question of the right of way of Horace Stearns and others over land recently taken and settled for with the Deshon Estate be referred to the Secretary with the request to obtain the opinion of the Law Department [illegible].

6 Secretary to [illegible] proposals [illegible] electric lights [illegible] Revere Beach.

On motion of Mr. Hemenway the Secretary was authorized to [illegible] proposals [illegible] lights to be erected [illegible] Revere Beach for a period ending October 1st next, [illegible] lights to be of 1200 candle power.

7 On motion of Mr. Richards the following

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instrument was passed and ordered signed by the
members of the Commission:—

"In consideration of the execution by Ellen

Agreement to assess no betterments on land of Ellen R. Wellington in Medford.

R. Wellington of a deed and release of damages
to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, dated July
5, 1895, and covering her land in Medford, included
in the taking of date February 2, 1894, the Board
of Metropolitan Park Commissioners agrees to assess
no betterments on the remaining land of said
Wellington, adjoining the parcel included in
said deed and release of damages.

Witness the hands and seals of said
Metropolitan Park Commissioners this seventeenth
day of July A. D., 1895."

c. Boundaries 1

Secretary to set boundary stones upon exterior lines of Reservations.

On motion of Mr. Richardson the Secretary
was authorized to set the boundary stones upon
the exterior boundary lines of the various Reser-
vations, the expense to be charged to the
Metropolitan Parks Loan.

Communication from Mr. T. C. Weeks.

c. [illegible] 2

c. [illegible]

A communication, dated July 17th, was
received from Mr. T. C. Weeks making certain
propositions in relation to the land which
it is the intention of this Board to abandon
easterly of Pond Street in the Middlesex Fells
Reservation. The matter was referred to the
Secretary with instructions to request, if possible
the postponement for a limited time.

Adjourned at 4.05 P. M.

W. S. Conant[?]
Secretary

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Record of the one-hundred sixth (106th)
meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at
the residence of Mr. C. B. de las Casas, Malden,

[illegible] Massachusetts, July 31st 1895 at 3 P.M.

Present, The Chairman pro tempore, Mr. Richards and Mr. [illegible].

The reading of the report of the previous meeting was [illegible].

The Secretary submitted the schedule of men employed as follows:

Blue Hills Reservation.

3 Foremen, [illegible] Patrolmen.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

[illegible] Foremen, [illegible] Patrolmen

Revere Beach Reservation.

3 Foremen, [illegible] Patrolmen.

Beaver Brook Reservation.

1 Superintendent.

The Secretary submitted the following report.

Mr. W. B. de las Casas,

Chairman pro tempore.

Dear Sir:-

In response to the request of the Board I beg leave to report that I can maintain three 1200 candle-power Arc Electric Lights on the Bathhouse site, Revere Beach, from Saturday night next to and including the night of September [illegible], for $[illegible]. I have taken the liberty to say to the Superintendent of the Electric Company that he make his preparations in advance, so that after hearing from me on Saturday morning he can be ready to light up on Saturday night next.

Respectfully submitted.

(signed) H. S. Carruth

Secretary

On motion of Mr. Richards, the report was accepted and the recommendation adopted, the Secretary being authorized to carry said recommendation into effect.

> Communication from Mr. Francis H. Appleton -
> C. Associations
> Requests to award damages in Charles River Reservation.
> C. Calnan
> C. Maguillion
> C. McCormack
> Communication from Law Department.
> C. W.P.
> Recommendations in said communication referred to Secretary with full powers.
> C. W.P.
> Improvement of Mystic Valley Parkway assigned to next meeting.
> Communication from Mr. T. C. Weeks declining to delay any longer question of abandonment
> C. Ordway. W.P.
> C. Weeks.

1 The Secretary submitted a communication from Mr. Francis H. Appleton, addressed to Mr. Hemenway, requesting that this Commission be represented at the annual meeting of the American Forestry Association at Springfield, September 3rd, and on motion of Mr. Richards the communication was referred to the Chairman of the Board.

2 The Secretary submitted requests from James H. Calnan, John R. Maguillion, and Margaret T. McCormack, to have their damages estimated and awarded on account of the taking of land in the Charles River Reservation.

On motion of Mr. Richards, the above communications were referred to the Claims Department, with the request that the estimates of damages be submitted by said Department to this Board.

3 The Secretary submitted a communication from the Landscape Architects, dated July 25th, 1895, which was read and ordered placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Hemenway, the matter of recommendations contained in said letter of the Landscape Architects, relating to the proposed Winthrop Beach Boulevard, was referred to the Secretary with full powers.

4 On motion of Mr. Richards the question of the consideration and adoption of a scheme for improving the Mystic Valley Parkway was specially assigned to the next meeting after the return of Mr. Eliot from his vacation.

The Secretary submitted a communication from Mr. T. C. Weeks, declining to delay any
5 longer the question of the abandonment of certain lands of his not already paid for by this Commission, as per agreement of February 1st. The Secretary was instructed to

proper deeds of abandonment of said land.

Secretary submitted bond of ... Giles

The Secretary submitted the bond of ... Giles in the sum of $500. to hold the Commonwealth harmless against any damage arising by reason of the claim of John H. Bacon or Sarah B. Bacon, his wife, on account of the alleged right of way over land of said Giles which land has been taken by this Board.

Secretary to notify Messrs. Hawes Bros. to vacate on or before Nov. 1st

2 Hawes Bros.

The Secretary was instructed to notify Messrs. Hawes Brothers of Winchester that they must vacate the property now occupied by them within the limits of the Mystic Valley Parkway, on or before November 1st next.

3 Report of Secretary on bathing in reservoirs — Rules.

The Secretary submitted the following report:

Mr. W. B. de las Casas.

Chairman pro-tempore,

Dear Sir:-

The necessity seems to have arisen for the Commission to adopt rules relating to the bathing in the reservoirs of the various State Boards in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, and, as a few weeks since I was asked to submit to the Board rules governing the bathing in all the reservations, I would herewith suggest that the Board pass the following rule = That bathing in all ponds or waters used for water supply purposes is prohibited.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) ... Smith

Secretary.

The report was accepted and ordered placed on file, and on motion of Mr. ..., it was

Bathing prohibited

Ordered:-- That bathing in all ponds or waters used for water supply purposes is prohibited.

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Secretary to advertise for proposals for buildings in Mystic Valley Parkway

C. Bldgs. M.V.P.

1 On motion of Mr. Richards the following order was passed.

Ordered:– That the Secretary be authorized to advertise for proposals for the buildings now standing within the limits of the Mystic Valley Parkway, exclusive of the stable lately owned by the Messrs. Hawes Brothers; and that he be further authorized to give thirty days notice to any and all of the tenants now occupying any of said buildings.

Graffam claim referred to Secretary

C. Graffam.

2 In the matter of the Graffam claim growing out of a letter dated December 12th, 1893, from this Board to Graffam, requesting him to refrain from any further building operations on certain land on Highland Avenue, in Malden, the whole matter was referred to the Secretary with full powers to settle the same for a sum not exceeding \$250.

Secretary to advertise for proposals for purchase of Red Mills property

C. Red Mills

3 On motion of Mr. Richards, the Secretary was authorized to advertise for proposals for the purchase of the Red Mills Property, so-called, in the Middlesex Fells Reservation.

C. Contracts – M.F.P.

4 The Secretary called up the matter of the awarding of the contract for the construction of the Malden Section of the Middlesex Fells Parkway, and on motion of Mr. Hemenway it was

Ordered that contract for construction of Malden Section of Middlesex Fells Parkway be awarded for Scheme A.–

Ordered:– That the contract be awarded for Scheme A with stone surfacing of the roadway.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Contract awarded to Messrs. McCusker Brothers

Ordered:– That the contract be awarded to Messrs. McCusker Brothers of Chatham as per their proposal dated July 19th, 1895, they being the lowest bidders. "Passed unanimously"

On motion of Mr. Hemenway the Secretary was instructed to require a bond for the com-

Secretary to advertise for proposals ... — 1.

of Offices[illegible]

The Secretary was authorized to advertise for proposals for the purchase of the buildings taken by this Commission from [illegible] near Highland Avenue, Winchester;

Drafts of [illegible] Revere Beach Reservation submitted — 2.

The drafts of [illegible] for the Revere Beach Reservation were submitted by the Secretary and, on motion of Mr. Richards, were ordered to be prepared for the passage by the Board.

Adjourned at 4.55 P.M.

A. S. Carruth

Secretary

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Aug. 7, 1895.

Report of the one hundred seventh (107th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, Ames Building, Boston, Wednesday, August 7th, 1895, at 2.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman pro tempore, Messrs Richards and Hemenway.

The records of the two preceding meetings were read and accepted.

Secretary submitted the number of men employed —

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed as follows:-

Blue Hills Reservation

3 Foremen, 6 Laborers.

Middlesex Fells Reservation

4 Foremen, 3 Laborers.

Stony Brook Reservation

3 Foremen 4 Laborers.

Beaver Brook Reservation

1 Superintendent

Motion to elect Chairman lost — 3

Mr. Richards moved that the Board proceed to the election of a Chairman. The motion was lost.

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The Secretary called up the matter of the signing of the contract for the construction of the Malden section of the Middlesex Fells Parkway with Messrs McCusker Brothers, to whom the contract was awarded at the last meeting. On motion of Mr. Hemenway it was

Fidelity & Deposit Company of Maryland accepted as surety for McCusker Bros.

Ordered:- That the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland be accepted as the surety on the bond for $[illegible] of the said McCusker Brothers.

Contract for construction of Malden Section of Middlesex Fells Parkway signed.

Messrs McCusker Brothers were then called into the room and the contract was signed by the members of the Board present and Messrs Frank [illegible] McCusker and John H. McCusker, the said contract being executed in quadruplicate.

Settlements authorized for Secretary.

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land made by the Assistant Secretary.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

2 *Mrs Sarah A. Bacon* — Authority to settle the claim of Mrs. Sarah A. Bacon for land in Medford for $200. an acre.

Harriet E. McKechnie — Harriet E. McKechnie, land in Medford. On motion
3 of Mr. Hemenway the Secretary was authorized to settle the above claim for a sum not exceeding $150. an acre.

Stony Brook Reservation.

4 *Jane Joyce* — Jane Joyce, 17,076 square feet of land in Hyde Park. On motion of Mr. Hemenway the Secretary was authorized to settle for a sum not exceeding $[illegible].

5 *Roger Flaherty* — Roger Flaherty, 17,930 square feet of land in Hyde Park. On motion of Mr. Hemenway the Secretary was authorized to settle for a sum not exceeding $[illegible].

Mrs Julia M. Mullen — Mrs. Julia M. Mullen, 107,293 square feet of
6 land on Washington Street, Boston. On motion of Mr. Hemenway the Secretary was authorized to settle for a sum not exceeding $8500.

[illegible] [illegible] Reservation.

1 [illegible] Approximately, 5000 feet of land at [illegible] cents per foot. On motion of Mr. Richards the settlement was approved and ratified.

West Roxbury Parkway

2 [illegible] On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was authorized to settle the claim of the Heirs of [illegible] [illegible] for 2878 square feet of land at 3½ cents per foot.

3 Communication from Law Department (Graffam Claim) The Secretary submitted the following communication from the Law Department giving their opinion upon the legality of the claim of Edwin W. Graffam for compensation growing out of his action in consequence of the receipt of a letter from the Board requesting him to discontinue work upon land owned by him on Highland Avenue in Malden, said letter being dated December 18, 1893.

Boston, August 7, 1895.

Metropolitan Park Commission,
[illegible], Esq., Secy,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the notices sent out by the Commission in December, 1893, to Mr. Graffam and other persons, owners of lands in Middlesex County, to the effect that the Commission contemplated the taking of all or parts of their estates for park purposes, and notifying them to desist from making alterations or improvements after the date of the letter, you have asked us, in view of the fact that the taking when completed did not include any of the lands referred to in the letter:

1st.- Whether there is any legal liability on the part of the Commonwealth for damages resulting from a cessation of improvements

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and [illegible] upon the premises.

2d. — Whether there is any liability on the part of the Commissioners.

3d. — Whether there is any liability on the part of the one commissioner who directed that the letters be written them, not having been ordered by any vote or action of the full board.

4th. — Whether there is any liability on the part of the Secretary of the Commission as the writer and signer of the letters.

5th. — Whether if there is no legal liability on the part of the Commonwealth, we deem it within the power and authority of the State Auditor to approve a bill or claim on the part of a land owner on the theory that the Commonwealth is morally bound to make good the damage.

Each and all of these questions we answer in the negative. So far as the land owners are concerned, the matter has doubtless proved to be one of considerable hardship, and not without ground of complaint. It would have been only courteous and reasonable on the part of the Commission, after sending such an uncompromising notice, to have made sure that the owners were as clearly informed afterwards that their lands had not been touched, but in dealing with the matter as involving questions of law, considerations of this sort must be temporarily laid aside. Then all that we can find is a notice in the form of a warning, to the effect that the Commission had under consideration the condemnation of certain lands. So long as the matter was simply under consideration, any decision upon the point might fall one way or the other, in favor of the scheme or against

it, as turned out to be the case here.

The land owners had it within their power to ascertain whether any taking had been made, either by consulting the Registry of Deeds at East Cambridge or by consulting the office of the Park Commission itself. They were, therefore, guilty of negligence in not informing themselves as to the true state of facts within a reasonable time. We cannot find any ground upon which to say that they have a legal claim against anybody concerned.

It is only proper to add, however, in relation to this branch of the case, that we believe the actual writer and signer of the letter, who stands in a highly confidential relation to the board, is in a weaker position than that occupied by either the Commonwealth or the Commission as a whole, or the Commissioner who directed the sending of the letter. As between the signer of the letter and the land owners, the signer had infinitely better means of knowledge of what was in the minds of the Commissioners, as well as of what had been actually done in their meetings, and recorded in their books. We cannot say, therefore, that upon this ground some land owner may not bring an action against the signer of the letter with a view to getting the matter before a jury and obtaining whatever damages he could prevail upon the jury to allow. It is our opinion, however, that if such an action should be brought, the judge ought to take the case away from the jury and rule that under all the circumstances no action would lie.

In regard to the 5th question, we are clearly of the opinion that the Auditor has no

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power which would enable him to certify the allowance of any bill or claim by any land owner. He is an official authorized to deal solely with legal claims and bills against the sovereign power, and has no jurisdiction or authority whatsoever over cases which contain only the elements of moral obligation, or such as imply an honorable means of recompense for an accidental injury, by a money payment.

If we are right in the views expressed, the land owners are entirely remediless, except by an appeal to the Legislature itself. Of course we should not suggest this to the land owners, but state it for your own information.

Very truly yours,
(signed) Balch and Rackemann.

Secretary submitted communication from Butchers' Slaughtering & Melting Association referred to Sub-committee on Charles River.

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Butchers' Slaughtering and Melting Association, dated August 5th, 1895, relating to the question of
1 the division line between one of the Charles River takings and the property of the said Association. On motion of Mr. Hemenway the matter was referred to the sub-committee on the Charles River with full powers.

Communication from General Superintendent (Wyman Tower)

The Secretary submitted a communication from the General Superintendent relating to the observatory
2 tower on land lately belonging to Mr. Arthur L. Wyman in the Middlesex Fells Reservation, and further stating that the said observatory was in an unsafe condition. On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was instructed to examine said observatory and report his recommendations to the Board.

Question of width of Wyman road -
O. Roads and Sts., M. F. R.

The Secretary called up the question of the
3 width, etc., of the new [illegible] road between land of Wyman and the Middlesex Fells Reservation

[illegible] as [illegible]. On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was instructed to cause each road to be built of the following width, 8 feet sidewalk; 7 feet planting space and 20 feet roadway.

1 The Secretary called up the subject of vacations of the superintendents and clerks of the cemeteries and on motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was given full power to deal with such applications as received.

Secretary to deal with applications for vacations as received.

2 Mr. Hemenway, for the committee on police, reported in part, so far as relates to the Blue Hills Reservation, the following recommendations, that the present police force be reorganized upon the following basis:- That the present Superintendent be created Chief of Police, that his salary be increased one hundred and thirty dollars ($130) per annum; that there be three permanent officers under his direction at a salary of $15.75 a week, showing a saving on the present expenses of the Department of $337. per annum; and that the present force, not included in the above recommendations, be discharged to take effect October 3rd, inst. The report was accepted and the recommendations adopted.

Report on organization of Blue Hills Police.

3 On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Ordered:- That the General Superintendent be instructed to broaden the Summer Street Entrance to the Middlesex Fells Reservation so as to meet the road opposite.

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Topographical Survey Commission relating

4 to the issuing of a permit allowing the force of said Commission access to the Blue Hills Reservation. On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was authorized to prepare a permit.

Survey. State B[illegible]

5 On motion of Mr. Hemenway the following

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[illegible] was passed and ordered signed by the members of the Commission:—

"In consideration of the execution by Charles T. Symmes of a deed and release of damages to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, dated July, 1895, and covering his land in Winchester and Medford, included in the Taking of date February 2, 1894, the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners agrees to assess no betterments on the remaining land of said Symmes, adjoining the parcel included in said deed and release of damage.

No betterments to be assessed on [illegible] of Charles T. Symmes.

Witness the hands and seals of said Metropolitan Park Commissioners this Seventh day of August, A.D., 1895."

Adjourned at 4.15 P.M.

W. B. [illegible]

Secretary.

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Aug. 14, 1895.

Report of the one hundred and eighth (108th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the offices of the Commission, Ames Building, Boston, Wednesday, August 14th, 1895, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman pro-tempore, Messrs Richards and Hemenway.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted as amended.

Secretary submitted number of men employed—

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows:—

Blue Hills Reservation

3 Foremen, 7 Laborers,

Middlesex Fells Reservation,

4 Foremen, 15 Laborers,

Stony Brook Reservation

3 Foremen, [illegible] [illegible]

Beaver Brook Reservation.

Settlements

The Secretary submitted the following settlements of land made by the Assistant Secretary.

Beaver Brook Reservation.

Settlements submitted by the Secretary.

[illegible] 1 A. [illegible], [illegible] feet and buildings, $[illegible]. On motion of Mr. Richards the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

Stony Brook Reservation.

Samuel W. Poland. 2 Samuel W. Poland, 22,025 square feet, $2,000. On motion of Mr. Richards the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

[illegible] 3 Clemence [illegible], [illegible] acres and buildings, $[illegible].

John W[illegible] 4 John Warren, 10,[illegible] square feet and buildings, $[illegible]. The two above claims were, on motion of Mr. Richards, referred to the sub committee on the Stony Brook Reservation with full powers.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

[illegible] Gray 5 [illegible] Gray, about [illegible] acres, $[illegible] per acre. On motion of Mr. Hemenway the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

Joseph Swan 6 Joseph Swan, 5 acres. On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was authorized to settle for $[illegible].

[illegible] St. [illegible] 7 [illegible] St. [illegible], [illegible] acres and buildings [illegible]. On motion of Mr Richards the Secretary was authorized to settle for $6,000.

Letter from [illegible] Cutting referred to the Secretary. 8 The Secretary submitted two letters from Alexis Cutting, dated August 10 and 12 relating to the matter of property taken from said Cutting in the Mystic Valley Parkway. The letters were referred to the Secretary to take such action as he deemed proper after consulting the Law Dept.

Petition from [illegible] referred 9 The Secretary submitted a petition, dated August 12th, from John B. [illegible], secretary of the [illegible] Park Commission, [illegible]

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[illegible] to the lessee of the Café on the [illegible] of the Strathmore Hotel property to keep it [illegible] on Sunday. On motion of Mr. Richards the petition was dismissed.

Report of Secretary on dams at Smith's [illegible] Pond.

1 The Secretary submitted a report upon the matter of the dams at Smith's [illegible], in Hyde Park, and recommending that the question of a small additional taking comprehending the entire dam and outfall be referred to the Landscape Architects with the request that they report at the next meeting of this Board. On motion of Mr. Hemenway the report was accepted and the recommendation adopted.

C. S.B.R.

C. Takings S.B.R.

Report of Secretary on tower in Middlesex Fells Reservation.

2 The secretary submitted a report upon the necessary repairs on the observatory tower on land lately of [illegible] in the Winchester Section of the Middlesex Fells Reservation and making pertinent recommendations in connection therewith. On motion of Mr. Richards the report was accepted and the recommendations adopted, and the Secretary was authorized to carry said recommendations into effect.

C. Observation

Report of Engineer on Beaver Brook dams re-referred to sub-committee of Beaver Brook R.

3 Mr. Richards called up the question of the dams of the Beaver Brook Reservation and the report of the Engineer, dated April 30th, 1895, thereon and on motion of Mr. Hemenway the said report of the Engineer was re-referred to the sub-committee on the Beaver Brook Reservation with full powers.

C. Dams, B.B.R.

Width of boundary road on Estate of A. L. Lyman.

4 On motion of Mr. Hemenway the width of the different spaces of the boundary road between the Estate of A. L. Lyman in the Middlesex Fells Reservation in Winchester was changed from the figures adopted by the Board at its last meeting, held August 7th, to the following:—

C. Roads and Sts.

Sidewalk, [illegible]

Planting-space [illegible]

[illegible]

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Engineer to prepare specifications & drawings for [illegible] Mystic Valley Parkway. M.V.P.

Ordered: — That the Secretary instruct the Engineer to prepare working drawings for the construction of the roadway for the Mystic Valley Parkway and to submit estimates of cost and preliminary draft of specifications and contract in accordance with the plans of the Landscape Architects approved by this Board at its meeting held August [illegible].

On motion of Mr. Hemenway it was

Engineer to employ additional forces, etc. — 2 Eng. Dept.

Ordered: — That the Engineer be authorized to employ such temporary forces as he may deem necessary to actively push ahead the work now in hand in his office and the Secretary to hire such additional rooms as he may deem expedient.

Taking of Hemlock Gorge Reservation to be prepared for passage by the Board. 3 H.G.R. [illegible]

The draft of a taking of the Hemlock Gorge Reservation was submitted by the Secretary and, on motion of Mr. Hemenway, was ordered to be prepared for the passage by the Board.

On motion of Mr. Hemenway it was

Ordered: — That when this Board adjourn it be to meet on Monday next, August 17th at 1.30 P.M.

Adjourned at 4.15 P.M.

H. S. Carruth
Secretary.

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Aug. 17, 1896.

Report of the one hundred ninth (109th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the office of the Commission, Ames Building, Boston, Monday, August 17th, 1896, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, the Chairman pro-tempore, Messrs. Richards & Hemenway.

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The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Secretary submitted number of men employed.

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows:--

Blue Hills Reservation,

3 Foremen, 7 Laborers,

Middlesex Fells Reservation,

4 Foremen, 15 Laborers.

Stony Brook Reservation,

3 Foremen, 2 Laborers.

Beaver Brook Reservation,

1 Superintendent.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Secretary to investigate conduct of Robert Elder. 1

Ordered:-- That the Secretary investigate the conduct of Robert Elder, Superintendent of the Beaver Brook Reservation, particularly on the days of August 16 and 17, and report his findings to the Board.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Secretary to have Beaver Brook dams repaired. 2

C. Dams
C. Roads and Sts. B.B.R.

Ordered:-- That the Secretary be directed to have the dams at the Beaver Brook Reservation repaired and, also, to cause the construction of a suitable driveway and turnround in the southern section of said Reservation. Expense not to exceed [illegible], to be charged to the Metropolitan Parks Loan.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Secretary to communicate with Park Commissioners of Watertown. 3

C. Watertown Town

Ordered:-- That the Secretary be authorized to communicate with the Park Commission of Watertown in relation to the transfer by the said Town of certain land to this Commission. Said land being located in the Charles River Reservation.

C. Roads and Sts. S.B.R. 4

On motion of Mr. Hemenway it was

Ordered:-- That the Secretary be directed to continue the construction of the road

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Secretary to continue construction road in Stony Brook Reservation

on the Stony Brook Reservation from [illegible] Street to the northern side of [illegible] Road at a width of [illegible] feet, and that the old wood road from said northern side of [illegible] Road to [illegible] Street be repaired in a simple manner for temporary use, and that the portion of the new road beyond [illegible] Road be discontinued for the present.

On motion of Mr. [illegible] it was

Ordered: That the Secretary be directed to cause so much of the boundary road now existing on land of Mr. Roger Wolcott in the Blue Hills Reservation to be moved back upon land of the Commission in the interior of the boundary line, the expense thereof to be charged to the Metropolitan Parks Loan.

Roads & Sts. B.H.R.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

2 Ordered: That the Secretary construct suitable iron fence along the boundary line of the Blue Hills Reservation and land of Hon. Roger Wolcott and that the question of the style and cost of said fence be hereby referred to the sub-committee on the Blue Hills Reservation with full power.

Secretary to construct iron fence along line Roger Wolcott

Fences B.H.R.

3 On motion of Mr. [illegible] it was

Ordered:- That the Secretary complete the repairs of the Great Blue Hill path at an expense not to exceed $50, said expense to be charged to the Metropolitan Parks Loan.

4 On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Ordered: That the Secretary be authorized to tear down all unsold buildings on the Malden section of the Middlesex Fells Parkway.

Secretary to tear down unsold buildings in Malden sec. of Mid. Fells Parkway

5 On motion of Mr. [illegible] it was

Ordered:- That the Engineer make [illegible]

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[illegible] ... location for the beginning of the road from the Winchester Reservoir to Taylor Mountain in the Middlesex Fells Reservation according to the directions of the Landscape Architects.

Adjourned at [illegible] P.M. to meet September 4, at [illegible].30 P.M.

H. S. [illegible]
Secretary

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Report of the one-hundred tenth (110th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the office of the Commission, [illegible] Building, Boston, Wednesday September 4th, 1895, at 1.30 P.M.

Present, The Chairman pro tempore, Messrs Richards and Hemenway.

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

[illegible] The Secretary submitted the number of men employed as follows:-

Blue Hills Reservation,
3 Foremen, 8 Laborers,
Middlesex Fells Reservation,
4 Foremen, 21 Laborers,
Stony Brook Reservation,
3 Foremen, 4 Laborers,
Beaver Brook Reservation,
1 Superintendent,

[illegible] The Secretary submitted a report from the Assistant Secretary upon the question of the claim of the Langwood Company in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. Ordered placed on file.

[illegible] The Secretary submitted the following settlements made by the Assistant Secretary.

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Mystic [illegible] Reservation.

1 [illegible] O'Reilly [illegible] of land with [illegible]. On motion of Mr. Hemenway the Secretary was authorized to settle [illegible].

2 Lawrence Mulqueeney Lawrence McQueeney, 50,180 feet of land [illegible]. On motion of Mr. [illegible] the Secretary was authorized to settle [illegible] $4,500.

Middlesex Fells Reservation.

3 [illegible] John [illegible], [illegible] feet of land in Malden, [illegible]. On motion of Mr. Richards the [illegible] was [illegible] and [illegible].

4 [illegible] The Secretary submitted a report from the Assistant Secretary on the matter of the claim of John E. [illegible] [illegible] on the [illegible] side of [illegible] in [illegible]. The report was laid on the table [illegible].

5 Secretary to accept proposal of Charles M. Thompson for McKenzie house. The Secretary submitted the bids for buildings, etc., in Winchester and on motion of Mr. Hemenway the Secretary was directed to accept the proposal of Mr. Charles M. Thompson of $3000. for the McKenzie House and land.

McKenzie. Thompson.

6 Secretary to accept proposal of [illegible] Cutting for 27-29 Mystic Ave. conditionally. On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was directed to accept the proposal of Mr. Alessie Cutting for the double house numbers 27 and 29 Mystic Avenue of $700, provided that the buildings be removed to a distance not less than 300 feet from the boundary of the [illegible]. In the event of said Cutting not accepting these conditions the Secretary is authorized to demolish the buildings.

Bldgs. [illegible]

7 [illegible] Cutting [illegible]. On motion of Mr. [illegible] the Secretary was authorized to accept the bid of [illegible] Cutting for [illegible] [illegible] Street [illegible] the same conditions [illegible] in the case of the house on Mystic Avenue.

c. Bldgs. M.P.B.
[illegible] offer of H. E. Cutting for buildings on Cutting St.

1 On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was directed to accept the offer of H. E. Cutting [illegible] for the stable and out buildings on Cutting Street. The same to be torn down.

Communication from Middlesex County Commissioners
c. Bacon St.

2 The Secretary submitted a communication from the Clerk of the County Commissioners of Middlesex County, dated August 31st, 1895, and addressed to Messrs. [illegible], [illegible] and Eliot, relating to the relocation of Bacon Street in Winchester. On motion of Mr. Richards the communication was referred to the Chairman with full Power.

Communication from Selectmen of Belmont (straightening Mill St.)
c. Mill St.

3 The Secretary submitted a communication from the Selectmen of Belmont notifying the Board of a hearing by the County Commissioners of Middlesex County on the petition of J. [illegible] [illegible] and others for a widening and straightening of Mill Street in Belmont, said hearing to take place at the [illegible] station at 9.30 o'clock September 25th. On motion of Mr. Richards the communication was referred to the Chairman with Power of substitution in case of inability to attend the hearing.

Communication from Selectmen of Belmont
c. Roads & Sts. B.B.R.

4 The Secretary submitted a communication from the Selectmen of Belmont, dated September 2nd, concerning the appearance of the Public street between the two sections of the Reservation. Laid over as unfinished business.

Communication from Mayor of Woburn (Extension of Boulevard)
c. Woburn Parkway

5 The Secretary submitted a communication from the Mayor of Woburn, dated August 29th, requesting a hearing for certain citizens of Woburn that they might present their Petition for an extension of the Boulevard system from Winchester to Woburn. Laid over as unfinished business.

6 On motion of Mr. [illegible] it was

Ordered:– That the salary of [illegible]

Salary of Miss Edson fixed at $600. — Alice Edson be fixed at the rate of six hundred dollars, ($600.) per annum.

The Secretary submitted the following report:—

Report of Secretary on conduct of the Police Board. — Boston, August 29, 1890.

Mr. [illegible] de las Casas, Chairman pro tempore,

Sir:—

In obedience to the order of the Board an investigation was held on Thursday, August 21st, concerning the official conduct of Mr. Robert Elder, Superintendent of the Beaver Brook Reservation, certain charges having been preferred against Mr. Elder by the Trustees of the McLean Asylum growing out of his action on the night of August 16th, wherein he was charged with "officious" and unbecoming conduct.

Letters were sent to the Honorable Board of Selectmen of Belmont, the Chief of Police of Belmont and Mr. Tuggs, the Superintendent of the McLean Asylum, requesting their presence at the investigation. The Selectmen of Belmont and their Chief of Police, together with Mr. Josiah Kendall, late chairman of the Selectmen of Belmont, appeared in response to the request, but no representative of the McLean Asylum appeared.

My finding as the result of carefully hearing the statements of several eye-witnesses is as follows:— The conduct of Mr. Superintendent Elder on the occasion above referred to, as being an officer of the town of Belmont and therefore subject to the orders of the constituted town authorities, was in no wise censurable and in obeying the orders of said officials he was only performing his plain, manifest duty; that in giving notice to the authorities of the town of the action then taking place he is entitled to the commendation of the Board for his [illegible]

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in safeguarding the interests of the Commission. I would recommend the passage of the following order.

Ordered:- That the action of Superintendent Robert Elder of the Beaver Brook Reservation on the night of August 16th is hereby approved.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) H. S. Carruth,
Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Richards the following order was passed.

Action of Robert Elder on night of Aug. 16 approved —

Ordered:- That the action of Superintendent Robert Elder of the Beaver Brook Reservation on the night of August 16th is hereby approved.

Sample sign for conviction of person killing birds, etc —

c. Birds

The Secretary submitted a sample sign or poster offering rewards for the conviction of persons violating the laws of Massachusetts by killing or taking the eggs of any insect eating bird. On motion of Mr. Hemenway the Secretary was directed to notify the persons interested that this Board considers that it already has sufficiently covered the point raised by them in the rules already posted conspicuously in the various Reservations.

Communication from Attorney General —

2 The Secretary submitted a communication from the Attorney-General, dated August 23rd, in answer to a communication from him dated August 20th, giving an opinion upon the authority of the Board to discharge persons from its Police forces. Ordered placed on file.

c. Discharge of P. Lice

Communication from Auditor — 3

(Graffam's [illegible])

c. Graffam

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Auditor stating that the claim of Edwin M. Graffam for an allowance for damages was not a legal one and was disallowed. Ordered placed on file.

4 On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Resolved: That the Secretary be authorized to advertise for proposals for the buildings now standing within the limits of the West Parkway and of such buildings upon Washington Street in the Stony Brook Reservation as have been settled for by the Commission.

The Secretary submitted a communication, dated August 3rd, from Mr. E. K. Harder, Superintendent of the Park Department of Cincinnati, inviting the Board to send one or more representatives to the second annual convention of the American Society of Municipal Improvements to be held in Cincinnati September 11, 12 and 13 next. The Secretary was directed to reply thanking Mr. Harder for the invitation and regretting the inability of the members of the Board to attend.

The Secretary submitted a petition signed by J. E. McCoy and others remonstrating against the erection of a building within the twenty-five foot line on the West Roxbury Parkway. The matter was referred to the Secretary with instructions to report.

The Secretary submitted the draft of the specifications and contract for the construction of the Mystic Valley Parkway and was authorized to have the same printed and to advertise for proposals for the construction of the same.

The Secretary submitted a report from the Assistant Secretary upon the probable cost of Kings Beach at Swampscott which was ordered placed on file and the Secretary was directed to prepare and submit to the Board a draft of taking of so much of said Beach as is within the limits of the town of Swampscott, according to the plans of the

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Taking of Revere
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On motion of Mr. Richards the following taking was passed:-

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners.

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Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act, and in Acts of the year 1894, chapter 483, and Acts of 1895, chapters 305 and 450 respectively;

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said acts, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local Board, being the Board of Park Commissioners of the town of Revere, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said acts, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, being a parcel lying in the town of Revere, in the county of Suffolk, and shown on plan marked "Plan of Taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission for the

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Revere Beach Reservation, Revere, Mass., " " " Aug. 14th, 1895, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects; " " " Section One, Wm. T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 38, the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners and bounded and described as follows, —

Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of mean high-water line of the Atlantic Ocean at Revere Beach, with the centre line of Revere Avenue; thence running South 41° 43′ 40″ West, by said centre line and the same extended across Ocean Avenue and the former location of the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company, One hundred and seventy (170) feet to a stone bound; thence North 48° 38′ 20″ West through said location One hundred sixty-six and eighty-five hundredths (166.85) feet to a stake; thence Westerly, South-westerly, Southerly and South-easterly, by a line curving to the right on a radius of One hundred and twenty-five feet, and passing through said location of said Company, and of Lythgoe estate, across Atlantic Avenue, through land believed to be now or late of William T. Pace, and through the location of the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company, Three hundred sixty-six and thirty-seven hundredths (366.37) feet to a stake; thence North 50° 02′ 40″ West One hundred fifty-seven and seventy hundredths (157.70) feet to a stake at last named location; thence Northerly, by a line curving to the right, on a radius of Twenty-two hundred two and fifty-eight hundredths (2202.58) feet and passing through land of Charles S. Tibbets, and across Ocean Avenue, Three hundred ninety-four and ninety-seven hundredths (394.97) feet to a stake in the North-easterly side line

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of said Ocean Avenue; thence along said North-easterly side line, running North 39° 36' 30" West, by lands of Mary Cunningham, Ebert M. Potter, Ida M. Pearce, and Robert F. Naylor, One hundred ninety-one and ninety-eight hundredths (191.98) feet, to a stake at land now or late of McClellan and Benedict; thence North 69° 53' 30" East, by the Southerly boundary line of said McClellan and Benedict land, Seventy and five tenths (70.5) feet to a stake; thence North easterly, nearly Northerly, curving to the right, on a radius of Twenty-two hundred two and fifty-eight hundredths feet, Six and one tenth (6.1) feet, to a stake in said land of McClellan and Benedict, at point of change of curve; thence North-easterly, by a line curving to the right, on a radius of Two hundred sixty-nine and fifty-six hundredths feet, and passing through said land of McClellan and Benedict, land of D. A. and J. A. Dougherty, land of Charles S. Fifield, land of Mary A. Ammery, land of Lawrence McEntee, other land of Charles S. Fifield, and land of George R. Buttrick, Three hundred eighty-two and seventy-six hundredths (382.76) feet to a stake at point of change of curve; thence still North-easterly, by a line curving to the right, on a radius of Two thousand eighty-nine and twenty-eight hundredths feet, and passing through said land of Buttrick, land of Jesse Cordingly, land of Daniel G. Page, and land of Laban Heath estate, Two hundred sixty-six and seventeen hundredths (266.17) feet to a stake at point of change of curve, said stake being situated in the Westerly side line of a passageway shown on said plan; thence North-easterly, curving to the right, on a radius of Twenty-three hundred twenty and fifty-[illegible] hundredths feet, along land of said Laban Heath estate, land of [illegible] H. Hall, land of [illegible] C. [illegible], land of

Allen Bartlett, now John L. Ross, land of McClellan and Tufield and land of said Boston Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company, Three hundred sixty-six and eighty-seven hundredths (366.87) feet to a point in the Revere Beach Station of said Railroad Company; thence by a straight line, running North [illegible] East, through said land of said Boston Revere Beach and Lynn Railway Company, across Shirley Avenue, through land of John McClellan, land of Arthur D. McClellan, land of Washington D. Sanders, land of Daniel [illegible], land of Marie Consolacion, land of [illegible] S. Tufield, and land of Angelo Caraco, Two hundred ninety-nine and forty-seven hundredths (2[illegible]) feet to a stake in last named land; thence Northerly, curving to the right, on a radius of thirty eight hundred forty eight and thirty three hundredths feet, still through land of Caraco, across Beach Street, through land of John Rizzo and Luis Fiodini, land of John H. Dolan, land of Mary Cunningham, land of Catherine Hughes, land of Charlotte M. Blackman, land of Lorenzo Gordella, land of heirs of Albert Brown, across Bath Street, Six hundred and fifty-one one hundredths ([illegible]) feet to a stake in land of Marcella C. Ruby, said last three measurements being along the Westerly side line of said [illegible]; thence South [illegible]°34'30" East, by a straight line being the North-easterly side line of said Bath Street One hundred and seventy-five (175) feet to the mean high water line of the Atlantic Ocean, thence Southerly and South-easterly, by said mean high water line in the same bends and curves, by a line through lands of Mary E. Griffith, Michael Mahoney, said Gordella, Annie Murphy, Alice C. Spencer, said Boston R. B. & L. Railroad, across Beach Street, lands formerly of Washington G. Sanders (now of said Commonwealth), which is hereby excepted from the

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operation of this present taking, see prior taking dated April 29, 1895, recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 2272, Page 603, across Shirley Avenue, through lands of James H. [illegible] John [illegible] of said McClellan [illegible] Fifield, of said Fifield, of Cora M. Crosby, of Nellie K. Mather, of John A. Daly, of John Devine, [illegible], of said [illegible], of said Fifield, of George S. Lee, Trustee, and [illegible] Benedict, of Charles S. Ingalls, of Ida M. Pearce, of Martha [illegible] Hanscom, of George C. Mentzer, of Francis A. Sproul, of said Fifield (two parcels), of Estella L. Lancaster, estate of [illegible] C. Holmes, of John B. Newcomb, of Arabella I. [illegible] Scholefield, of George F. Emmons (two [illegible]), of John [illegible], of said William [illegible] [illegible] to the point of beginning.

Also all lands, thatch and flats that lie adjacent to the parcel above described, between said mean high-water line and extreme low-water mark in said Atlantic Ocean, and between the side lines of said parcel extended according to law to said low-water mark.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate, or parcel or part thereof, included within the foregoing description, save only said excepted parcel, or howsoever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

All ownerships herein given are supposed to be correct, but are given only as matters of information and belief.

Witness our hands, this Fourth day of September, A. D. 1895.

Metropolitan Park Commission

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Taking No. 39.

On motion of Mr. Richards the following taking was passed -

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Taking of [illegible] Beach Reservation [illegible]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners.
September 4, 1895.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the "Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the [illegible] and rights in land hereafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act, and in Acts of the year 1894, chapter 483, and Acts of 1895, chapters 305 and 450, respectively.

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said acts, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, being the Board of Park Commissioners of the town of Revere, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said acts, and for all the purposes therein [illegible], the [illegible] rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, being a parcel lying in the town of Revere in the county of Suffolk, and shown on plan marked "Plan of Taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission for the Revere Beach Reservation, Revere, Mass., Aug. 14, 1895, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape

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Architects," * * * Section Two, William T. Pierce, Engineer, being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 3[illegible], the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official records of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows, viz.:—

Beginning at a stone bound in the North-easterly side line of Bath Street at a point marked "A" on said plan; thence North-easterly, by a line curving to the right on a radius of Thirty-eight hundred forty-eight and thirty-three hundredths feet, and passing through land of Marcella A. Kirby, Fourteen and thirty-five hundredths (14.35) feet to a stake; thence North 4° 5' 20" East, Thirty-three and forty-nine hundredths (33.49) feet to a stake; thence North-easterly curving to the right on a radius of Eighteen thousand forty-three and six-tenths feet, through land of said Kirby, of John H. Wilkinson, land of Nora C. Olivia Peterson, land of William G. Barteaux, land of Mary C. Welch, land of Edward J. Murphy, across Beaver Street, through land of Bernie J. Smith, land of Charles S. Fifield, and land of Ellen M. Abbott, Six hundred twenty-seven and four hundredths (627.04) feet, to a stake at point of change of curve; thence still North-easterly, by a line curving to the right, on a radius of Nineteen thousand eight hundred fifty-seven and twenty-two hundredths feet, and passing through land of said Abbott, land of Alvin C. Norcross, land of Martha H. Hayford, land of Hall J. Smith, land of James Manning,* et al., across an unnamed street, land of Caroline M. Hathaway, land of Mary J. Brown, land of Nelson Tucker, land of John B. Atkins, land of Emery W. Braman, land of Nora Seaman, and land of the Boston, Revere Beach & Lynn Railroad Company, Ten hundred fourteen and sixty-four hundredths (1014.6

feet to a stake at the Southerly extremity of another passageway; thence North 70° 27' 40" West and bounded north-west by said land of said railroad company Seven and seventy-eight hundredths (7.78) feet to land of John Floyd heirs; thence North 18° 32' 20" East along the West line of said passageway last named, and said land of Floyd heirs, land of Margaret E. Day, across Sagamore Street, along land of S. E. Sprague, other land of said heirs, land of Annie Anderson, other land of said Floyd heirs, and land now or formerly of the Reading Co-operative Bank Seven hundred and one (701) feet, to a stake at land of Lucretia Alix; thence South 76° 14' East along said land of Alix, Eight and six hundredths (8.06) feet, to a stake; thence North-easterly by a line curving to the right, on a radius of Seventeen thousand four hundred seventy-six and ninety-five hundredths feet, passing through said land of Alix, and land of Alexander D. Alix, Seventy-nine and eighteen hundredths (79.18) feet to a stake; thence North 18° 32' 20" East, through land of Orilda E. Wells land of Albert D. Bosson, land of Catherine Normoyle, and land of McCann estate One hundred twenty-six and five-tenths (126.5) feet, to a stake at land of Daniel Holland or in the location of the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company; thence South 66° 44' East, Three and sixty-four hundredths (3.64) feet to a stake at said land of Holland, or in said location; thence North-easterly, curving to the right, on a radius of Seventeen thousand four hundred seventy-six and ninety-five hundredths feet, and passing through said land of said Holland and land of the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company, Three hundred forty-four and eighty-six hundredths (344.86) feet to a stake; thence still North-easterly curving to the right on a radius of

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[illegible] thousand five hundred twenty-two and ninety-eight hundredths feet and passing through said land of the Lynn & Boston Railroad Company, land of Michael Shanehan, land of Catherine Shanehan, land of Martha A. Hanecome, and land of James J. Keith, and crossing Revere Street Five hundred and twenty-four (524) feet, to a stake in the Northerly side line of said last named street and at the extremity of Ocean Avenue; thence North 87° 41′ East, along said side line of said Revere Street One hundred and eighty-five (185) feet to the intersection thereof with mean high-water line of the Atlantic Ocean, as shown on said plan; thence Southwesterly, by said high-water line as the same bends and curves, through lands of said Revere Beach Railroad Company, of said Lynn & Boston Railroad Company, of said Daniel Holland, of said Catherine [illegible] & Patrick Hargin, of said Alexander D. Alif, of Sophronia Alif, of H. Dever, of Philip J. Myer, of said Floyd heirs, of Donald K. McLeod, of Mary F. Dever, of Joseph F. Wilson, of J. B. V. Coburn, of said Floyd heirs, across Sagamore Street, through land of Laura E. Fontaine, of said Revere Beach Railroad Company, of said Noah Seaman, of Mary L. Dolan, of John Sheehan, of John J. Donovan, of Jeremiah Mara, of said Seaman, of Clarence L. Webster, of William McGinnis, of George S. Lee, Trustee, et al., of Timothy [illegible], across [illegible] street, of James Manning, et al., of Nellie A. Fisk, of Patrick Brodbine, of Lucy A. Hayford, of Charlotte McLeod, of said Norcross, of said Abbott, of said Norcross again, across Beaver Street, lands of Henry Hiller estate, of Mary E. Murphy, of Henry Hiller estate again, of Elizabeth McDonald, of Hiller estate again, of Elpha L. Randall, of Robert F. Naylor, of James Manning, of said Marcella A. Kirby, to a point formed by the intersection of

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and mean high water line with the South westerly side line of Bath Street, thence South 17° 30′ East one hundred seventy five feet to a stone bound at point marked "A" on said plan, the place of beginning.

Also all lands, flats and shore that lie adjacent to the parcel above described, between said mean high-water line and extreme low-water mark in said Atlantic Ocean, and between the side lines of said parcel extended according to law to said low water mark.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof, included within the foregoing description, or howsoever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

All ownerships herein given are supposed to be correct, but are stated only as matters of information and belief.

Witness our hands, this Fourth day of September, A. D. 1895.

Metropolitan Park Commission

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On motion of Mr. Richards the following taking was passed:

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners,
September 4, 1895.

Taking of [illegible] Reservation [illegible]

Whereas the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission;" being chapter four hundred and seven of the

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Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act, and in Acts of the year 1894, chapter 483, Acts of 1895, chapters 305 and 450 respectively;

Now, therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said acts, and of any and every other power and authority in us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local Board, being the Board of Park Commissioners of the town of Revere, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof in manner prescribed in and by said acts, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every kind and nature thereto belonging, being a parcel lying in the town of Revere, in the county of Suffolk, and shown on plan marked "Plan of Taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission for the Revere Beach Reservation, Revere, Mass., *** August 14th, 1895, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, Section 3, William T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 40, the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows, viz:—

Beginning at a stake at the intersection of the Northerly side line of Revere Street with mean high water line of the Atlantic Ocean, as shown on said plan; thence South 87° 41' West, along said side line, and the same extended across Ocean Avenue,

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Two hundred nine and ninety hundredths ([illegible]) feet to a stone bound at the intersection of the extension of said side line with the Northwesterly side line of Ocean Avenue; thence Northeasterly, curving to the right, on a radius of fifty-eight hundred fifty-two and fifty-one hundredths feet, along land of Charles S. [illegible], one hundred sixty-seven and twenty-eight hundredths ([illegible]) feet, to a stake at point of tangency; thence by a straight line South 37° 05' East, passing along land of said [illegible] and land of [illegible] Putnam, Emma F. [illegible] and [illegible] A. [illegible], Eight hundred thirty-six and fifty-seven hundredths (836.57) feet to a stake in said side line of said Ocean Avenue; thence curving to the right on a radius of twenty-two hundred eighty-five and fifty-three hundredths feet, and passing along said land of Putnam and others, and land of the Oak [illegible] [illegible] Company, One hundred fifty-nine and thirty-six hundredths (159.36) feet, to a stake at point of tangency; thence South 25° 35' East, One hundred fifty-five and forty-three hundredths (155.43) feet to an angle; thence South 26° 46' 10" East along said land of said Company, Six hundred ninety-eight and ninety hundredths (698.90) feet to a stone bound at land of [illegible], [illegible] and [illegible]; thence South 27° 08' 5" East, along said land of [illegible] and others, and land of [illegible] A. [illegible], Two hundred sixty-five and eighteen hundredths (265.18) feet to a stone bound at land of said [illegible], said last six courses being all by the Northeasterly side line of said Ocean Avenue; thence South 35° 57' East, One hundred eighty-nine and fifty-two hundredths (189.52) feet to a stone bound at land of [illegible] of [illegible] Company; thence across said Ocean Avenue, by a line running South 52° 45' 30" East, [illegible]

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hundred and four (304) feet, to a stake in said mean high water line of the Atlantic Ocean; thence Southwesterly, as said high water line bends and curves, along land of said Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company, to the point of beginning.

Also all beaches, shores and flats that lie adjacent to the parcel above described, between said mean high water line and extreme low water mark in said Atlantic Ocean, and between the side lines of said parcel extended according to law to said low water mark.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof included within the foregoing description, or howsoever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

All ownerships herein given are supposed to be correct, but are given only as matters of information and belief.

Witness our hands, this Fourth day of September, A. D. 1895.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

C. Takings, R.B.R.

Taking No. 41.

On motion of Mr. Richards the following taking was passed.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
~~Metropolitan "Commission Park Commission.~~
In Board of Metropolitan Park Commission,
September 4, 1895.

Terms of Revere Beach Reservation [illegible]

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being

chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1894, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act and in Acts of the year 1894, chapter [illegible], and Acts of 1895, chapters [illegible] and [illegible], respectively;

Now therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said acts, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local Board, being the Board of Park Commissioners of the Town of Revere, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said acts, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, being a parcel lying in the town of Revere, in the county of Suffolk, and shown on plan marked "Plan of Taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission for the Revere Beach Reservation, Revere, Mass. * * * Aug. [illegible], 1895, Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot, Landscape Architects, Wm. T. Pierce, Engineer" being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. [illegible], the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows: —

Beginning at a stone bound on the South westerly side line of Ocean Avenue in the

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[illegible] between lands of Hiram A. Raddin on the South-west, and lands of the Point of Pines Company on the North-east; thence North 32° 5' East, along said land of said Company, Ten hundred thirty-nine and three hundredths (1039.03) feet to a stone bound; thence North 45° 50' 20" East, passing through said land of said Company, land of Louisa J. Govan, and other land of said Company, Fifteen hundred eighty-seven and forty-six hundredths (1587.46) feet to a stone bound; thence North 49° 58' 5" East, still along land of said Company Five hundred three and six hundredths (503.06) feet to an angle; thence North 52° 49' 30" East, One hundred twenty-seven and fifty hundredths (127.50) feet to a stake at land of said Company, said courses hereinbefore described being all along the North-westerly side line of said Ocean Avenue; thence through land of said Company and through the location of the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company, by a line curving to the right, on a radius of Eighty-one thousand four hundred forty-two and forty-three hundredths feet, Four hundred seventeen and fifty-four hundredths (417.54) feet to a point in said location at change of curve; thence still through said location, curving to the right, on a radius of One hundred thirty-three thousand one hundred fifteen and two tenths feet, Two hundred and thirty-three hundredths (200.33) feet, to a stake in said location; thence South-easterly, along the radial line of said last-named curve, Fifteen (15) feet to a stake; thence North-easterly, curving to the right, on a radius of One hundred thirty-three thousand one hundred one and two tenths feet, through land of said Point of Pines Company, Seven hundred ninety and twenty-three hundredths (790.23) feet to a stake at point of tangency;

[illegible] thence North 49° 3' East still through and land of said Company, Twenty two hundred and [illegible] ninety-one and [illegible] hundredths (2291.[illegible]) feet to a stake; thence South 20° 47' West Fifteen (15) feet to a stake at land of said Company; thence curving sharply to the North and West on a radius of One hundred feet, Two hundred thirty-three and three hundredths (233.03) feet to a stake at land of said Company; thence North 80° 17' 30" West Twelve hundred forty-three and eighty-two hundredths (1243.82) feet to a stake at land of said Company; thence North 10° 18' 10" East, about Three hundred and fifteen (315) feet to a stake in the mean high-water line of Saugus River, as shown on said plan; thence Easterly, North-easterly and Easterly, by said mean high-water line, on the same bends and turns, crossing two creeks, to mean high-water line of the Atlantic Ocean, as shown on said plan; thence South-westerly by said mean high-water line of the Atlantic Ocean on the same bends and curves, by lands of said Company and of said Ocean, to a stake at the intersection of said mean high-water line last named with a line running North 13° 47' 30" East from the stone bound at the point of beginning, said line being the Easterly boundary of taking herewith to be recorded, accompanied by Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. [illegible]; thence by the last-named line, crossing said Ocean Avenue, Three hundred and four (304) feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

Also all estates, lands and flats that are adjacent to the parcel above described, between said mean high-water line of Saugus River and of the Atlantic Ocean, and extreme low-water lines of said river and said ocean,

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and between the side lines of said parcel extended according to law, to said low-water lines.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof, included within the foregoing description, or howsoever otherwise bounded or described, and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

All ownerships herein given are supposed to be correct, but are given only as matters of information and belief.

Witness our hands, this Fourth day of September, A. D. 1895.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

C. Takings, L. H. R.
Taking No. 42

A notice of the [illegible] the following taking was [illegible].

Takings [illegible] [illegible] Reservation

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners,
September 4, 1895.

Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to establish a Metropolitan Park Commission," being chapter four hundred and seven of the Acts of the year 1893, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act, and in chapter 450 of the Acts of the year 18[illegible],

Now, Therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said act, and of any and every other power and authority us hereto in any wise

enabling, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, being the Board of Park Commissioners of the town of Wellesley (neither said city of Newton nor said town of Needham having any Park Commission), have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said acts, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, being two parcels, lying partly in the city of Newton in the County of Middlesex and partly in the towns of Needham and Wellesley in the County of Norfolk, and shown on plan marked, "Plan of Land taken by the Metropolitan Park Commissioners for the Hemlock Gorge Reservation, * * * Newton, Needham and Wellesley, Mass., Aug. 12, 1895, Olmsted, Olmsted and Eliot, Landscape Architects, William T. Pierce Engineer." being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. [illegible], the originals of which are to be recorded herewith, and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and respectively bounded and described as follows,—

First, A parcel lying partly in said Newton, Needham and Wellesley respectively,—beginning at a bolt in the abutment of the bridge over Charles River, which bolt is on the Southerly side line of Boylston Street in said Newton; thence running Southerly, by a straight line twenty two and eleven hundredths (22.11) feet to a stake on the right bank of said Charles river, at mean high water mark; thence mainly [illegible]

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angle, South 87° 16' 30" East, Two hundred fifty-four and thirty-five hundredths (254.35) feet to a stake in said side line of said street, in land of Mary Leach; thence Easterly and Southerly, curving to the right on a radius of Nine and four hundredths feet, Sixteen and seventy-three hundredths (16.73) feet in the line forming the junction of said Boylston Street and Ellis' Street in said Newton; thence South 18° 44' West, Eighty-five and eighty hundredths (85.80) feet to a stake; thence South 11° 14' West, Sixty-six (66) feet to a stake; thence South 1° 16' East, Forty-one and twenty-five hundredths (41.25) feet to a stake; thence South 9° 16' East, Sixty-nine and sixty-nine hundredths (69.69) feet to a stake; thence South 13° 5' East, One hundred twenty-seven and twenty-eight hundredths (127.28) feet to a stake; thence South 16° 20' East, Forty-one and eighty-seven hundredths (41.87) feet to a stone bound; thence South 22° 33' 30" East, Seven and fifty-two hundredths (7.52) feet to a stone bound at land shown on said plan as belonging to the City of Boston, and marked "Echo Bridge;" thence South 55° 41' 30" West, One hundred thirty-six and ninety-two hundredths (136.92) feet, along said last named land to a stone bound; thence South 78° 41' 30" West, passing through a stone bound near high water mark on said bank of said river One hundred thirty-four and eighty-five hundredths (134.85) feet to the centre line or thread of said river; thence Southeasterly, up stream, by said centre line or thread, about Forty-three (43) feet to a point; thence South 55° 41' 30" West, by a straight line, Two hundred forty-five (245) feet, along land of said City of Boston, to a stone bound; thence nearly Northerly, Twenty-nine and eighty hundredths (29.80) feet

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to a stone bound; thence Southeasterly, curving to the left, on a radius of thirteen hundred eighty-four and eight hundredths feet, Ninety and ninety one hundredths (90.91) feet to a stone bound at and land of the City of Boston; thence Southeasterly, Easterly, Northerly, curving to the left, on a radius of seven hundred seventy-seven and twenty hundredths feet, One hundred one and fifty three hundredths (101.53) feet to a stake in land of Dudley; thence still more Easterly, curving to the left, on a radius of seven hundred fifty-seven and seven hundredths feet, Four hundred seventeen and forty-three hundredths (417.43) feet to a stake in land of said Dudley; thence still more Easterly, curving to the left on a radius of six hundred twenty-seven and ninety one hundredths feet, Four hundred sixty-seven and nineteen hundredths (467.19) feet, passing through lands of said Dudley, and lands of Goodrich and Coffey, to a stake, in land of Daniel Meehan; thence Southwesterly, curving to the left, on a radius of thirteen hundred seventy-eight and ninety five hundredths feet, passing through lands of said Meehan, lands of William Reid, and lands of Timothy Dunning, Six hundred sixty three and nineteen hundredths (663.19) feet to a stake in the Northeasterly side line of [illegible] Street in said Needham; thence Northwesterly, Northerly and Northeasterly, along said Easterly side line of said [illegible] Street, on the same lands and [illegible], crossing the town line between said Needham and said Wellesley, Four hundred eighty-seven and eighty-one one-hundredths (487.81) feet to a stone bound at the southeasterly corner of said [illegible] Street and [illegible] Street in said Wellesley; thence South 12° 37' 18" East by a red line as shown on said plan, being the Southerly

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side line of said Worcester Street; Six hundred twenty-five and fifty-five hundredths (625.55) feet to a stake; thence South 74° 29' 58" East, by a side line, as shown on said plan, being said side line of said street, Eight hundred twenty-nine and forty hundredths (829.40) feet to a stake in mean high water line on the left bank of said Charles River; thence Northerly, by said high water line Eight (8) feet, to a bolt in the abutment in Wellesley of the bridge over Charles River; thence Easterly by the line of said Worcester Street in said Wellesley and said Boylston Street in said Newton, to the bolt at the place of beginning; comprising lands in said Newton, taken from Henry L. Pope, Trustee (two parcels), from James Sheridan, from Henry A. Fanning, and lands under Charles River; lands in said Needham taken from the Newton Mills, from E. C. Dudley, from Goodrich and Tokey, from Daniel Meehan, from William Welch, from Timothy Dinning, from Daniel Murphy and from said Pope, Trustee, and lands under Charles River; lands in said Wellesley, taken from said Pope, Trustee, and lands under Charles River, part of said land taken from Pope being shown on said plan as "Reservoir."

Second. A parcel in said Newton and said Needham, beginning at a stone bound in the Southwesterly side line of Ellis Street in said Newton, in the line of land shown on said plan as of the City of Boston and marked "Echo Bridge;" thence South 28° 10' East, Six and seventy-one one-hundredths (6.71) feet to a stone bound; thence South 21° 46' East, One hundred ten and eighty-four hundredths (110.84) feet to a stake; thence again South 26° 44' East, Seventy and ninety-nine hundredths (70.99) feet to a stake

in land of the Baptist Church; thence South [illegible] West Sixty-[illegible] and eighty-eight hundredths ([illegible]) feet to a stake; thence South [illegible]° [illegible]' [illegible]" West One hundred and [illegible] hundredths ([illegible]) feet to a stake; thence South [illegible]° [illegible]' East One hundred thirty and ninety-three hundredths ([illegible].93) feet to a stake; thence South [illegible]° [illegible]' West Eighty-seven and fifty hundredths ([illegible].50) feet to a stone bound at mean high water line of the [illegible] of the Newton [illegible]; thence North [illegible]° 35' West One hundred and eight ([illegible]) feet, across a small peninsula or point of land, to the center line or thread of Charles River; thence Southerly and Southwesterly, by said centre line or thread, being the division line between the City of Newton on the East and the Town of Needham on the West, up stream, about six hundred and sixty (660) feet to a point formed by the intersection of said centre line or thread with the Northerly side line of the bridge over said river at Central Avenue in said Needham as shown on said plan; thence [illegible]erly, by said Northerly side line of said bridge Forty-three and fifty-six hundredths ([illegible]) feet, to a stake on the left bank of said river at mean high water line; thence Northerly, down stream, on said left bank line and ninety-three hundredths (5.43) feet to a stake in said mean high water line; thence North [illegible]° 1' 30" East, along said Central Avenue, Eighty-four and twenty-five hundredths (84.25) feet to a stake; thence South [illegible]° [illegible]' 20" East, along said Avenue, Seventy-five and ninety-six hundredths (75.96) feet to a stake in land of [illegible] Dudley; thence at an [illegible] angle, [illegible]westerly and Northerly, curving to the left, on a radius of thirty feet, Twenty-eight and seventy-five hundredths (28.75) feet to a stake in land

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of said Dudley; thence North 0° 34' 30" East, Two hundred forty-six and forty-three hundredths (246.43) feet to a stake in said land; thence Northeasterly, curving to the right, on a radius of Eight hundred thirty-four and eighty-three hundredths feet, One hundred ninety-eight and forty-one one hundredths (198.41) feet to a stake at said land of said City of Boston; thence Northeasterly, curving to the right, on a radius of Eighteen hundred thirty-five and eight hundredths feet, Two hundred fifty-two and eighty-nine hundredths (252.89) feet to a stone bound at said land of said City of Boston; thence Northeasterly, by the same, Fifty and fifty hundredths (50.50) feet to a stake; thence North 55° 41' 30" East, by the same, Two hundred and three (203) feet to said centre line or thread of Charles River; thence Northwesterly, down stream, by same, Ten (10) feet; thence North 55° 41' 30" East, still by said land of said City of Boston, and passing through a stone bound near the right bank of said river, Two hundred fifty-three and forty-four hundredths (253.44) feet to the point of beginning; comprising parcels in said Newton taken from the heirs of Charles Ellis and the Second Baptist Church in Newton, and from the Newton Mills, and lands under Charles River; and lands in said Needham taken from said Newton Mills, from Henry McIntosh, from E. C. Dudley, and lands under Charles River.

Also all thatch, lands and flats that lie adjacent to either of said parcels, between said mean high water line and said centre line of said Charles River and between the side lines of said parcels extended according to law to said centre line.

Intending to take and hereby taking said

and every lot, estate or parcel or part thereof included within the foregoing description, or however otherwise bounded or described, and the said measurements to any of them more or less.

All measurements herein given are supposed to be correct, but are given only as matters of information and belief.

Witness our hands this tenth day of September, A.D. 1895.

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Executed in duplicate.

Adjourned at 4.30 P.M.

A. S. [illegible]
Secretary.

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Record of the one hundred eleventh (111th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at the office of the Commission, Ames Building, [illegible] Wednesday, September 11th 1895, at 2.30 P.M.

Present, the Chairman [illegible] Messrs. [illegible] and [illegible].

The records of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

Proposition Elizabeth A. Black

The Secretary submitted a proposition from Elizabeth A. Black to settle her claim for land taken on the Blue Hills Parkway, [illegible] square feet with two buildings, for $[illegible]. The Secretary recommended the settlement on the basis of $[illegible] and on motion of Mr. [illegible] the Secretary was authorized to settle the above claim for the sum of $700.

The Secretary submitted a communication

Communication from Assistant Secretary — Severin St. Denis

from the Assistant Secretary, dated September 6, relating to the claim of Severin St. Denis, in the Middlesex Fells Reservation; containing a proposition to settle the same for $[illegible] and a life interest for himself and wife, and on motion of Mr. Richards, the Secretary was directed to accept the above proposition, provided, that it is accompanied by the condition that the property is to be used only for the personal occupancy of Mr. St. Denis and his wife.

C. Goodenough

Settlement of Henry B. Goodenough

1 The Secretary submitted a communication from the Assistant Secretary, dated September 6, reporting the three proposed settlements of land [illegible] with Mr. Henry B. Goodenough in the Charles River Reservation. First parcel, 175,620 square feet, $5000, second parcel, 73,030 square feet, $2000, third parcel, 76,634 square feet, $1500. On motion of Mr. Richards the settlements were approved and ordered paid.

Engineer's Estimate No. 1. Malden Section Middlesex Fells Parkway C. Contracts — W.F.B.

2 The Secretary submitted from the Engineer Estimate No. 1, showing amount of labor performed and money due Messrs. McCusker Brothers on account of contract dated August [illegible], 1895, for the construction of the Middlesex Fells Parkway, Malden Section, showing the sum due to be $1348.95. In connection therewith the Secretary submitted a report calling the attention of the Board to the infringement on the part of the contractors of the provisions of the contract which requires the employment of citizens of this Commonwealth only on this work. On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Payment to McCusker Brothers approved — except as far as [illegible] — [illegible]

Ordered:-- That the payment of $1348.95 to Messrs. McCusker Brothers of Waltham is approved as a payment on account of satisfactory part performance by said McCusker Brothers of their

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contract with the Commonwealth through the [illegible] dated August 7th, 1895, except so far as said contract requires the employment of citizens of this Commonwealth.

Communication from Chairman of Fisheries & Game Commission 1 — File

The Secretary submitted a communication, dated September 9th, 1895 from the Chairman of the Fisheries and Game Commission containing a request that the German Carp in Bacon's Pond in the Middlesex Fells reservation be protected from fishing and that said Commission have the privilege of taking from said pond fish for distribution over the State from time to time as they may require. On motion of Mr. Hemenway the Secretary was directed to reply to said communication granting the request and issuing the proper permit.

Spot Pond 2 — Communication from Secretary of Joint Water Board

The Secretary submitted a communication from Mr. Ezra A. Stevens, Jr., Secretary of the Joint Board of Control of Spot Pond, enclosing a copy of rules adopted May 24, 1892, by said Board regarding the use of Spot Pond. Laid over as unfinished business.

Communication from Landscape Architects 3 — S.B.R. — [illegible]

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Landscape Architects, dated Sept. 5, 1895, reporting upon the question of including the whole of Smith's [illegible] in the Stony Brook Reservation. Ordered placed on file. On motion of Mr. Hemenway it was

4 — Secretary to begin construction of road in Stony Brook Reservation — Road [illegible] S.B.R.

Ordered: — That the Secretary be instructed to begin the construction of the road from [illegible] Street across the swamp in the Stony Brook Reservation. Said road to contain a [illegible] carriage way. The expense thereof to be charged to the Metropolitan Parks Loan.

[illegible] 5 — [illegible]

The Secretary called up the question of the public streets now existing within the [illegible]

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Reservation and on motion of Mr. Hemenway it was

Secretary to communicate with Selectmen of Revere

Ordered:—That the Secretary be authorized to communicate with the Board of Selectmen of Revere relative to the discontinuance of such portions of any public streets as may be within the limits of the Revere Beach Reservation.

On motion of Mr. Hemenway it was

C. Harland St. Entrance 1
Secretary to prepare taking plans of Harland St. Entrance
C. Takings. B.H.R.

Ordered:—That the Secretary prepare taking plans of the Harland Street Entrance to the Blue Hills Reservation between Harland Street and said Reservation, according to the plans of the Landscape Architect.

C. Abandonment. M.F.R.
Abandonment to be prepared for passage by the Board (Boston Rubber Shoe Co.) 2

The Secretary submitted the draft of a vote to abandon certain lands in Melrose belonging to the Boston Rubber Shoe Company which was accepted and the Secretary was directed to have the same prepared for the passage by the Board.

C. K.B.R.
Kings Beach Taking to be prepared for passage by the Board 3
C. Takings. K.B.R.

The Secretary submitted a corrected draft of the taking of the Kings Beach in Swampscott and he was directed to have the same printed and prepared for passage by the Board.

Secretary to procure opinion of Law Department 4
C. County Commissioners

The Secretary was directed to procure the opinion of the Law Department as to the authority of County Commissioners to take land from the Commonwealth under the charge of this Commission for street purposes.

Two communications from Law Dept.
C. Harland St. 5
C. Stearns Entrance
C. Takings. B.H.R.

The Secretary submitted two communications from the Law Department reporting progress upon the question of the Blue Hills Parkway, Harland Street Entrance, and relative to the claim of the Heirs of Horace Stearns for a right of way claimed by said Heirs. Both communications were ordered placed on file.

Letter from Law Department 6
C. Restrictions W.R.P.

The Secretary also submitted a letter from the Law Department relative to the proposed restriction over a twenty-five foot strip on land

[illegible] of the [illegible] Railway [illegible] of the Commission the Secretary was directed to refer the [illegible] in this matter to the [illegible] [illegible] Commission. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible] of said Railway.

A general [illegible] was [illegible] relative to the [illegible] [illegible] and the Secretary was requested [illegible] [illegible] to obtain a [illegible] [illegible] used by the Boston [illegible] Commission.

On motion of Mr. Richards it was

Voted: to abandon and release to Arthur [illegible] Lyman, Frank W. Lyman, [illegible] of George [illegible] [illegible], all the lands or premises entitled at date of Taking No. 9 a certain tract of land in Winchester, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, shown upon an amended plan of "[illegible], Winchester, Mass.," by Charles [illegible] Eliot, dated July [illegible] 1894, and signed by said Eliot, and recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, Plan Book 87, Plan [illegible] and to release and convey the same by [illegible] [illegible].

Adjourned at [illegible] P.M. to meet on Wednesday, October [illegible], 1895 at [illegible] P.M.

W. L. [illegible]
Secretary

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Record of the one hundred ~~nineteenth~~ twentieth (1120th) meeting of the Metropolitan Park Commission at the office of the Commission, [illegible] Building, Boston, October 2nd, 1895, at [illegible] P.M.

Present, The Chairman, Mr. [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

and accepted.

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed [margin: The Secretary submitted the number of men [illegible]]

The Secretary submitted the number of men employed, as follows:--

Blue Hills Reservation,

3 Foremen, 15 Laborers,

Middlesex Fells Reservation,

3 Foremen, 34 Laborers,

[illegible] Reservation

1 Foreman, 3 Laborers,

[illegible] Reservation,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[margin: C. Wob. Mayor and other citizens of Woburn to have a hearing Oct. 7 1895.] 1

Communication of the Mayor of Woburn, dated August 29th, requesting a hearing for himself and other citizens of Woburn on the [illegible] of a boulevard. On motion of [illegible] the Secretary [illegible] to [illegible] the next meeting of the Board [illegible] hearing requested.

[margin: Communication of [illegible]] [margin: C. [illegible] Pond.] 2

Communication of [illegible], Secretary of the [illegible] Water Board relating to [illegible] concerning the use of Spot Pond. On motion of Mr. Richards the Secretary was directed to acknowledge the receipt of the communication and to state that the Board [illegible] said [illegible].

[margin: Communication of Assistant Secretary relating to [illegible] Cassidy claim)] [margin: C. Cassidy] 3

Communication of the Assistant Secretary, dated August 30th, in the matter of the claim of John E. Cassidy for land taken in the Charles River Reservation. On motion of Mr. Richards the communication was referred to the Secretary with [illegible] to investigate and report to the Board [illegible] Mr. Cassidy for all lands taken [illegible] in the Charles River Reservation.

[margin: Settlements submitted by Secretary.-]

The Secretary submitted the following settlements:

Blue Hills Reservation.

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Hiram A. French, [illegible] land taken from [illegible]

[illegible] from the [illegible] between [illegible] Street and the [illegible] premises.

John Fuller 1 — John [illegible] for the [illegible]. On motion of Mr. [illegible] the above settlement was approved and ordered paid.

Communication [illegible] 2 — The Secretary submitted a communication from [illegible] dated September [illegible] [illegible] Ordered placed on file.

[illegible] Committee.

[illegible] Hood 3 — [illegible] Hood, [illegible]. On motion of Mr. [illegible] the Secretary was authorized to settle for $[illegible].

Charles Frost 4 — Charles Frost, [illegible] and buildings, the Secretary was authorized to settle for $[illegible].

[illegible] Committee.

Elizabeth A. Black 5 — Elizabeth A. Black, [illegible] square feet of land and buildings, etc. On motion of Mr. [illegible] the settlement was approved and ordered paid.

[illegible] 6 — Eliza A. [illegible], [illegible] square feet of land, the Secretary was authorized to settle at a fair price for the land per foot, and to give the right of entrance [illegible] to the [illegible] when said [illegible].

[illegible] Committee.

[illegible] 7 — [illegible]. On motion of Mr. [illegible] the [illegible] to settle for $[illegible].

Communication Assistant Secretary 8 — J. Dey, Jr. / A. White — The Secretary submitted two communications from Assistant Secretary [illegible] recommending the settlement of the claim of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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[illegible] 1

[illegible], On motion of Mr. Richards the [illegible] [illegible] was [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. On motion of Mr. Richards the [illegible] was [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Proposal from Sarah A. Bacon 2

The Secretary [illegible] a [illegible] from Sarah A. Bacon to settle her claim for 114,216 square feet of [illegible] at [illegible] [illegible] per foot, with the recommendation that the [illegible] be [illegible]. On motion of Mr. [illegible] the [illegible] was [illegible] to decline the offer.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Communication of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 3
c. [illegible]

The Secretary submitted a communication from [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. On motion of Mr. [illegible] the communication was referred to the [illegible] with [illegible] [illegible].

Taking [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Entrance ordered to be prepared for passage. 4
c. [illegible] St. [illegible]
c. Takings [illegible]

The Secretary submitted a draft of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] Entrance to the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. On motion of Mr. [illegible] the [illegible] was ordered to be prepared for passage by the Board.

Additional Taking for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] ordered to be prepared for passage. 5
c. [illegible]
c. Takings [illegible]

The Secretary submitted a draft of an additional taking for the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] land of [illegible] [illegible]. On motion of Mr. Richards the same was ordered to be prepared for passage by the Board.

c. [illegible]
[illegible] 6
[illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

On motion of Mr. [illegible] the following [illegible] [illegible]:--

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Taking No. 7, certain [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] Melrose [illegible] and Stoneham, all in the County of Middlesex, lying within the present Middlesex Fells Reservation more particularly [illegible]

Oct. 2 [illegible] — [illegible] Middlesex Fells [illegible] rendered by the Metropolitan Park Commission. [illegible] which are to be [illegible] and the [illegible] of which [illegible] the [illegible] members of said Commission; [illegible] and [illegible] of said Commission [illegible] expenses.

[illegible] Abandonment [illegible] Symmes. — The Secretary [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] taking of land [illegible] to Charles [illegible] Symmes. [illegible] the [illegible] on motion of [illegible] it was [illegible] by the Board.

Takings, [illegible] 2 — On motion of [illegible] the following [illegible] was passed.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners.

October [illegible]

Taking of [illegible] Reservation — Whereas, the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of [illegible] of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act [illegible] Metropolitan Park Commission," [illegible] the date of [illegible] year [illegible] and [illegible] said [illegible]

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[illegible] and under the power and limitations set forth in said Act, and in Acts of 1895, Chapter [illegible]

[illegible] said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners [illegible] and concurrence [illegible] the Board of Park [illegible] Swampscott, have taken and [illegible] Commonwealth of [illegible] the said Common[illegible] [illegible] Town of Swampscott, in the County of Essex, and shown on plan marked "Plan of Taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission for the King's Beach Reservation, Swampscott, Mass., July 24, 1895, Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot, Landscape Architects, William T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 36, the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners, and bounded and described as follows, viz:—

Beginning at a point in the division line between the City of Lynn on the West and the Town of Swampscott on the East, which point is distant Sixty-two and sixteen hundredths (62.16) feet Southerly, measuring along said boundary line from the town bound shown on said plan, said point being believed to be also in the Southerly boundary line of Humphrey Street shown on said plan; thence running North 80° 11′ 30″ East, Eighty-seven and thirty four hundredths (87.34) feet to a stake; thence Northeasterly, curving to the left, on a radius of Seventeen thousand two hundred ninety six and one-tenth

feet, Three hundred ninety-nine and ninety-nine hundredths (399.99) feet; thence North 78°51' East, Two hundred fifty-one and twenty-one one-hundredths (251.21) feet to a stake; thence Easterly, curving to the right, on a radius of Fifteen hundred ninety three and twenty six one-hundredths feet, Two hundred nine and forty-seven hundredths (209.47) feet to a stake; thence Easterly and Southeasterly, curving to the right, on a radius of Six hundred thirty-seven and twenty-seven hundredths feet, One hundred ninety and forty-eight hundredths (190.48) feet to a stake; thence South [illegible]°30' East, One hundred forty-nine (149) feet to a stake; thence southeasterly, curving to the right, on a radius of Sixty-nine feet, Twenty-one and seventy-two hundredths (21.72) feet, to a stone bound in the southwesterly side line of said Humphrey street; thence South 32° 18' West, along or through land supposed to be of estate of William Galencia, Forty-five and five-tenths (45.5) feet, to a stake; thence South 2° 15' East, along said last-named land in part, and in part along land supposed to be of Mary Holden, Eighty-four feet to mean high water line of the Atlantic Ocean; thence Southwesterly, Westerly and Southwesterly, by said mean high water line, with the same bends and turns, Fourteen hundred seventy and three-tenths (1470.3) feet, to a point formed by the intersection of said mean high water line with said boundary line between said Lynn and said Swampscott; thence North 4° 04' 30" West by a line coincident with said boundary line Two hundred sixty-two (262) feet to the point of beginning. Being the parcel shown as Kings Beach Reservation on said plan; the bearings named herein taken from various instruments.

Also all [illegible] lands and flats that [illegible]

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adjacent to said parcel, between said mean high water line and extreme low water mark in said Atlantic Ocean, and between the side lines of said parcel extended according to law to said low water line.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every land, estate or parcel or part thereof, included within the foregoing description or howsoever otherwise bounded or described; and be said measurements or any of them more or less.

Witness our hands this Second day of October, A. D. 1895.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

Communication from Law Department Laid over.

1 c. Pierce.

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Law Department relating to the matter of the right of way and roadway on land taken from [illegible] Pierce in the Blue Hills Reservation. Laid over as unfinished business.

Communication from Law Dept.

2 c. County Com'rs

The Secretary submitted a communication from the Law Department, in answer to a communication from him requesting an opinion on the question "Have the County Commissioners a right to lay out a highway over land held by this Commission for an open space under Chapter 407 of the Acts of 1893.", stating that the said County Commissioners have no authority so to do. Ordered placed on file.

Mr. Henry H. Williams appointed Supt. of Hemlock Gorge Reserv.

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Mr. William Jordan patrolman in the Stony Brook Reserv.

c. Supt. H. G. R.
c. C. Police; Patrol Chiefs
Appts.

The Secretary nominated Mr. Henry H. Williams for Superintendent of the Hemlock Gorge Reservation with full police powers and Mr. William Jordan for the position of patrolman in the Stony Brook Reservation. On motion of Mr. Hemenway the above individuals were declared appointed.

c. Roads & Sts 4

R.B.R.

The Secretary submitted to the Board a request of the Selectmen of Revere that he be present at a public meeting to be held by said

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[illegible] hearing [illegible] Loss [illegible]

Selectmen in the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] at [illegible] said meeting being held in the [illegible] of [illegible] in the [illegible] of the [illegible] of the [illegible] of the [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] motion of [illegible] the [illegible] was [illegible] to the [illegible] of [illegible] meeting.

Request of [illegible] O'Donnell referred to the Landscape Architects

The matter of the request of [illegible] O'Donnell of Malden for certain changes in the [illegible] the Malden Section of the Middlesex Fells Parkway was on motion of Mr. Hemenway, referred to the Landscape Architects.

C. [illegible]
C. O'Donnell.
C. [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] No. 2
Estimate [illegible] Parkway

The Secretary submitted from the Engineer Estimate number 2 showing amount of labor performed and money due Messrs. McCusker Brothers on account of contract dated August 7th, 1895, for the construction of the Middlesex Fells Parkway, Malden section, showing the sum due to be [illegible]. Laid over as unfinished business.

The Secretary in connection with the Engineer's Estimate, submitted as stated above, also submitted the following report, together with a letter from His Excellency, the Governor, dated September 30, relating to the same subject matter, and a letter from the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland inquiring as to the condition of the contract of Messrs. McCusker Brothers.

Communication relating to [illegible] McCusker Brothers

September 26th, 1895

[illegible] de las Casas, Chairman pro-tempore,

Sir:-

The breach of contract by Messrs. McCusker Brothers, so far as the clause requiring the employment of citizens of this Commonwealth only, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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was made since the last meeting of the Board in September last. By our instruction, as well as of other officers of the Commission, was one is that the said firm had no intention from the outset of adhering to these provisions of the contract. In order to test the sincerity of statements made by one of the firm before this Board I instructed our General Superintendent to send certain men to him for employment with the following result:- On Friday, September 20th, E. W. Flint, of Melrose, Clifford Osborn, of Melrose, and Edward Murphy, of Medford, applied to the said firm for employment upon the Parkway, offering to work for the consideration of [illegible] per day.

The employment was refused them, the said McCusker Brothers giving as reason that they had sufficient forces and that they should cut rather than increase. At the time that this refusal was made to citizens of this Commonwealth they had in their employ from thirty to fifty aliens.

In view of these circumstances and of this tangible proof I respectfully submit that the contract with the said firm of McCusker Brothers be cancelled for breach of the provisions of the contract. There are several reasons why this course should, it seems to your executive officer, be adopted.

First. It is a contract solemnly made, the particular provision which they have violated being the very one which both by the Engineer of the Board and by the Chairman of the Board were called to the attention of the contractors before the signing of the contract.

Second. Its effect upon the good faith of the Commission cannot, it seems to me, be otherwise than serious and regrettable. The rule has been established by the Board and has, [illegible]

Oct. 2, [illegible] [illegible] avoidable hardship to certain individuals, be rigidly enforced, that in the employment of [illegible] regular forces [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] citizens of the Commonwealth and [illegible] those of the Metropolitan District [illegible] [illegible].

3rd. The money [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in the payment of labor of construction was [illegible] and particularly appropriated by the Legislature of the Commonwealth for the benefit of her unemployed citizens.

4th. The effect on the coming [illegible] will be distinctly against the best interests of this Commission if the contract containing a provision, designed ostensibly to protect the laboring classes of the community, is set at defiance by the contracting firm at the very outset and continued without action of a drastic nature by this Board, the other party of the contract, acting for the Commonwealth in carrying out the expressed will of the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) "H. S. Carruth."
Secretary.

The [illegible] was [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Adjourned at 5.2[illegible] P.M. to meet on [illegible], October 7, at 2 P.M.

H. S. Carruth
Secretary

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